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INTRODUCTION

To the Study of

GEOGRAPHY,

By Way of QUESTION and ANSWER.

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1. An EXPLICATION of the SPHERE; or of all such Terms as are any Ways requisite for the right Understanding of the Terraqueous GLOBE.

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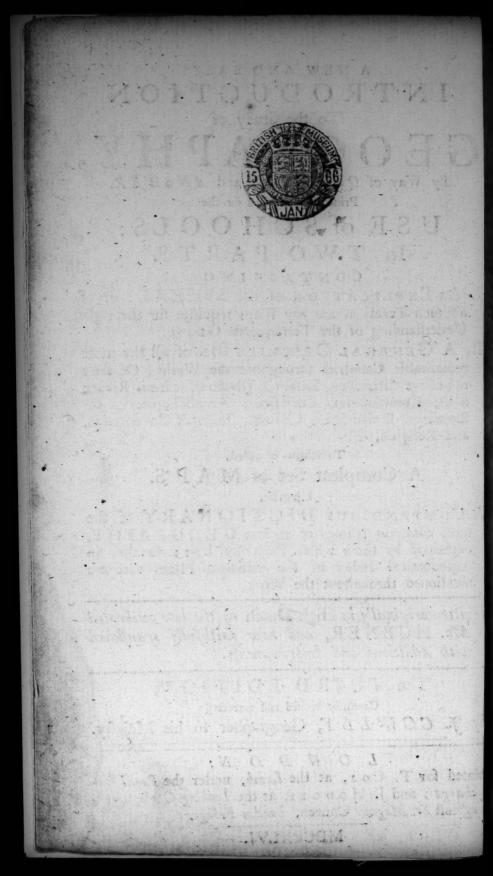
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PREFACE.

EOGRAPHY is a Science not only useful, but very agreeable and entertaining; and nothing is more surprising than to see how shamefully it is neglected amongst us. Not only Chil-

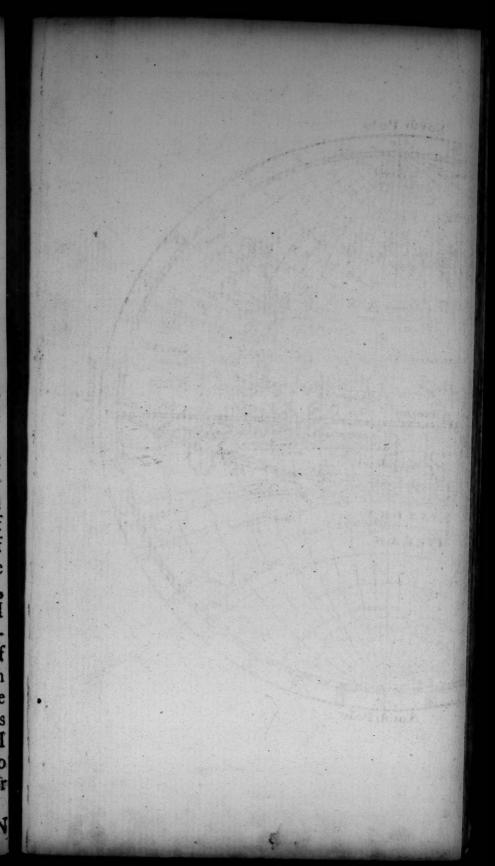
dren are for the Generality brought up without the least Idea of it; but grown Persons, and too many even of the better Sort of People very seldom if ever entertain a Thought of improving themselves in a Branch of Learning which is as easy as 'tis advantageous. From hence it arises, that they read and tell of remote Countries, without forming the least adequate Idea of their Situation, Nature, Climate, &c. and by Consequence are too apt to make very gross Blunders in that Respect. I once heard, I remember, an elderly Gentleman ask a Native of Russia very gravely, whether Legborn did not lie in the direct Road from London to Moscow.

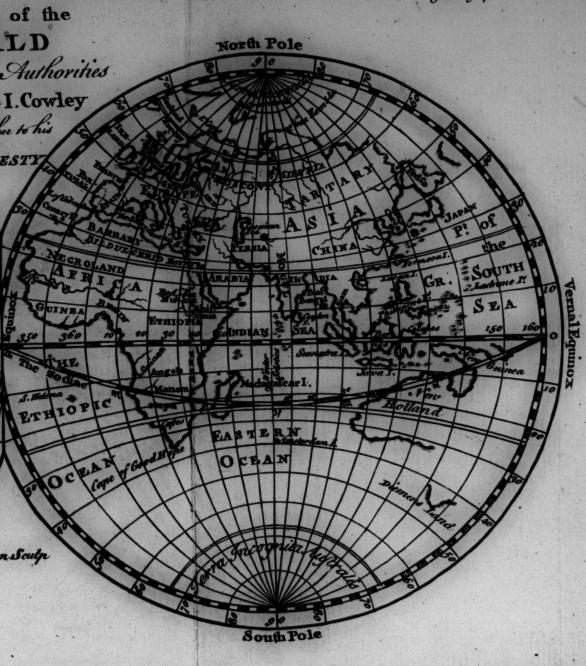
In order to understand ancient or modern History, it is absolutely necessary to have some previous Knowledge of the Rudiments of Grockaphy, which for that very Reason, has been justly termed, the Eyes and Feet of History,

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on Denmark; Bohemia and Hungary another, though they belong to the Hereditary States of Austria; and Little Tartary a third, which is only a Province under the Subjection of, or tributary to Turky and Muscovy. In this Division he takes no Manner of Notice of the Kingdoms of Naples, Sardinia, or Prussia; nor of the Republicks of Holland, Swisserland, or Venice, though these States are much more considerable in regard to us, than either Norway or the Little Tartary. There are also in the Shadow of Geography, if I may be allowed the Expression, many other gross and very material Errors, as might easily be shewn, if it were any ways necessary, and as it evidently appears from the various critical Remarks that have been made upon it, and published by his own Countrymen.

In a Word, that little Treatife is calculated only for the Use of Children; but this New Introduction to the Study of Geography is adapted to the Capacity of all Ages and Conditions, of both Sexes, and sufficient for the Instruction of any Person in this Science, as far as is requisite with respect to reading any History whatsoever, or bearing a Part in publick Conversation. I have added to this New Introduction, a compendious Dictionary of the most common Names of ancient Geography, explained by those which they now bear, which I humbly conceive to be a very material Article; and as the whole is principally intended for the Use of Schools, I flatter myself no Book of the like kind hitherto extant, will bethe the End proposed, or prove more acquired.









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NTRODUCTION

GEOGRAPHY.

HAT is Geography in General? Ans. It is a Description of the Surface of the Earth.

Qu, What is the Form or Fi-

gure of the Earth?

Ans. It is apparently round, tho' properly a spheid Body, as not being a perfect Globe or Circle, but ore flat at the two opposite Sides, wherein the Poles e centered, which may be represented by a Nine-Bowl, having a Wire passed through the middle the flat Sides, supposed to be an Axis, or Spindle ereon the Bowl turns; and tho' there are a great ny Mountains on its Surface, yet they do not at all der it from being orbicular. As the loftiest of m all is not above four English Miles high, they not make fo great an Inequality upon the Earth, as mall Pin's Head would do upon a Globe of 30 or Feet in Diameter.

Qu. How is this Surface of the Earth represented? Ans. By Terrestrial Globes, or Geographical Maps. Qu. Why is it represented by Globes?

Anf, Because nothing can express it better.

Qu. Why are not those Globes made in the Form of a Spheroid, since that is, you say, the true Figure of the Earth?

Anf. Because that Figure is not material to us, with respect to our Admeasurement of the Earth, and Representation of it by the Globes; for the Difference in proportion of Size is so great between them, and the Opinions of Mathematicians are so various, as to what may be the real Difference in the Admeasurement of the Earth, between the two Figures, that it would occasion an endless Controversy, and a fruitless Labour; and would destroy that Equality of Measure which is adjusted upon the Globes, and is the Foundation of the Art of Navigation.

Qu. Why is it represented by Maps?

Ans. Because Globes cannot possibly be made large enough to contain a very particular Description of the Earth; we are contented therefore with a Globe of two or three Feet in Circumference, which is sufficient to shew the Situation of the principal Parts of the Earth, in regard to their respective Climates: But for a more particular Knowledge of the Earth, we must have Recourse to Geographical Maps.

Qu. How is Geography diftinguished? Ans. Into Universal and Particular. Qu. What is Universal Geography?

Ans. That which considers the whole Earth in general, and explains its Properties without regard to particular Countries.

Qu. What is particular Geography?

Ans. That, which describes the Nature and Situation of each distinct Country by itself: And this is two-fold, viz. Chorographical, which describes Countries of a considerable and Topographical, which gives only a line of the small Tract of Land.

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CHAP. I.

Of the general and common Division of the Globe of the EARTH.

Qu. LIOW is the Globe of the Earth com-

monly divided?

Anf. Into two Parts, viz. The Terra Cognita, i. e. the known Part, and Terra Incognita, i. e. the unknown Part.

Qu. From whence proceeded this Division?

Ans. From the Ancients being unacquainted with those Lands, which the Industry of modern Navigators has discovered; whence it plainly appears that there are more Lands than have yet been traversed, or discovered, and therefore not geographically described.

Qu. What Parts are contained in the Terra Cognita?

Anf. Four, Europe, Afia, Africa, and America.

Qu. How are these four general Divisions situated? Ans. Europe lies towards the North, and is the east of the four; Asia towards the East, and is the argest; Africa towards the South, and is the hottest; and America towards the West and North. This last is the richest, and on Account of its late Discovery is called the new World.

Qu. Where does the Terra Incognita lie?

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Ans. The principal Parts of it lie about, or near he Poles of the Earth which are inaccessible; and herefore one Part has been call'd Terra incognita Sepuntrionalis, i. e. unknown Lands in the North; the ther Terra incognita Australis, the unknown Counties towards the South.

Qu. What is meant by the Word Poles?

Ans. Those Points upon which, as upon an Axis, the Globe of the World is turned round, as has already been described in respect to a Bowl. Pole comes from Polus in Latin, and that is derived from the Greek Term $\Pi_0 \lambda \hat{\epsilon} \omega$, i. e. to turn or wind.

Qu. How are these Poles called?

Ans. The one is called the Artic, or the North, and the other the Antartic, or the South Pole; and in these two Points all the Lines do center which are drawn from North to South, and which are called Meridians.

Qu. What is to be observed on a Globe, or Map,

between the two Poles?

Anf. Several Lines as well in Length as Breadth.

Qu. How many Sorts of Lines are there drawn on the Breadth of the Globe?

Anf. Three, viz. large Capital Lines; middling

Lines; and fmall Lines.

Qu. How many Capital Lines are there in the Breadth?

Anf. Two, the Equator and the Ecliptic, which last is in the Centre of the Zodiac.

Qu. What is the Equator?

Anf. The Line in the Middle of the Globe from West to East, which is so called, because it cuts the Globe, or Sphere, into two equal Parts.

Qu. Is not this Line diffinguished by another

Name?

Ans. Yes; for it is also called the Equinoctial Line, from the Latin, Equus, equal, and Nox, Night, because the Day and Night are of an equal Length, when the Sun's Course is directly in this Line.

Qu. What are those small Divisions that are

marked on the sine?

Ans Called Degrees.

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Qu. Into how many Degrees is this Equinoctial Line divided?

Anf. Into 360.

Qu. How many Miles are there in a Degree? Ans. Fifteen German, or 60 English Miles.

Qu. How many Miles are contained in the whole

Equinoctial Line, round about the Globe?

Ans. Twenty-one Thousand six Hundred; which answer to 360 Degrees; and the same is contained in the Circumserence of the Globe from Pole to Pole, tho' otherwise divided into sour Nineties, viz. Ninety Degrees from the Equinostial Line to each Pole.

Qu. Into how many Minutes is a Degree divided?

Anf. Into 60 Minutes, each Minute containing

one Mile.

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Qu. What is the Zodiack?

Ans. It is that Space in the Heavens which comprehends those Figures called the Twelve Signs of the Zodiack, thro' which the Sun is seen to pass in his annual Course; and as these Signs are represented by Animals, such as the Ram, Bull, &c. it is thence called the Zodiack, by Derivation from the Greek Word Tur Eww.

Qu. What is the Ecliptic?

Anf. It is that Line which passes thro' the Equator obliquely, 'till it just touches the two Tropics at two opposite Points. This Line is in the Middle of the Zodiack, and is the apparent Tract of the Sun's Course. Where this Line crosses the Equator, there the two Equinoxes happen, and where it touches the Tropics, there the two Solstices happen.

Qu. Why is it called the Ecliptic?

Ans. It is a Greek Word, Exhibinos, from Exhibino, i. e. deficio, L. and signifies a Desiciency of Light, because all the Eclipses, both of the Sun and Moon, happen therein.

Qu. How many Signs or Constellations does the

Zodiack contain, and what are their Names?

Ans. Twelve, which are distinguished by the following Characters, and are called of Aries, & Taurus, II Gemini, & Cancer, of Leo, my Virgo, Libra, my Scorpio, A Sagittarius, by Capricornus, Aquarius, & History, which being equally divided, the first six are called the Northern, and the six last the Southern Signs.

Qu. How are these Signs to be considered?

Ans. First, in Relation to the Equator. Secondly, as to the Vertical Point; that is, the Point directly over our Heads. Thirdly, with respect to the Seasons of the Year, and Fourthly, in regard to the Revolution of the Sun.

Qu. How are these Signs distinguished as to the

Equator ?

Anf. Into fix Northern, and fix Southern Signs;

the Equator dividing them into equal Parts.

Qu. How are they distinguished in regard to the Vertical Point?

Anf. Into ascending or descending Signs.

Qu. Why are they thus called?

Anf. Because when the Sun is in the former, it ascends, or comes towards us, but when in the latter, it descends, or goes from us.

Qu. What are the Names of the ascending Signs? Ans. 1. Capricorn, 2. Aquarius, 3. Pisces, 4. Aries,

5. Taurus, 6. Gemini.

Qu. What are the Names of the descending Signs?
Ans. 1. Cancer, 2. Leo, 3. Virgo, 4. Libra,
5. Scorpio, 6. Sagittarius.

Qu. How are these Signs divided?

Ans. Every Line is divided into 30 Degrees upon the Line of the Ecliptic, which in all amount to 360 Degrees, equal with those on the Equator, but with respect to the Seasons of the Year, they are distinguished

distinguished as to Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter Signs.

Qu. Which are the Spring Signs?

Anf. 1. Aries, 2. Taurus, 3. Gemini.

Qu. Which are the Summer Signs?
Anf. 1. Cancer, 2. Leo, 3. Virgo.

Qu. Which are the Autumnal Signs?

Anf. 1. Libra, 2. Scorpio, 3. Sagittarius.

Qu. Which are the Winter Signs?

Ans. 1. Capricorn, 2. Aquarius, 3. Pisces.

Qu. How are these Signs divided with regard to the Revolution of the Sun?

Anf. Into Cardinal, or moveable, and into immoveable Signs.

Qu. Which are the moveable Signs?

Ans. 1. Aries, 2. Cancer, 3. Libra, 4. Sagit-

Qu. How are the moveable Signs divided upon this Line?

Ans. Into Equinoctials, which are Aries and Libra; and into Solftices, which are Cancer and Capricorn.

Qu. Why are they called Equinoctials?

Ans. Because whenever the Sun is in any of these Signs, the Day and Night are of an equal Length.

Qu. Why are these called Solftices?

Ans. From the Words Sol and statio, L. i. e. the Station of the Sun; because when the Sun is in these Signs, he seems as it were to stand still; but afterwards pursues his Course either North or South.

Qu. How many Equinoctials are there within a

Year?

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Ans. Two, the Vernal Equinox, i. e. Spring, which is on the 10th of March, when the Sun enters into Aries; and the Autumnal Equinox, which is on the 12th of September, when the Sun enters Libra.

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Qu. How many Solftices are there in a Year?

Anf. Two, the Summer and the Winter. The Summer Solftice gives us the longest Day, which is on the 11th of June, when the Sun enters Cancer: The Winter Solftice gives us the shortest Day, which is on the 11th of December, when the Sun enters Capricorn.

CHAP. II.

Of the intermediate, or middle Lines of the GLOBES, &c.

Quest. HOW many intermediate Lines are there which cross the Globe?

Ans. Four, 1. The Tropic of Cancer, 2. That of Capricorn, 3. The Arctic Circle, and 4. The Antarctic Circle.

Qu. What are the Tropics ?

Ans. They are the intermediate moveable Circles, which are parallel to the Equator, and on both Sides the Ecliptic.

Qu. Why are these called moveable?

Ans. Because when the Sun comes to them, it recedes, or goes back in Summer towards the South, and in Winter towards the North.

Qu. What is the Name of the Line parallel to the Equator towards the North?

Anf. The Tropic of Cancer.

Qu. Why is it so called?

Anf. Because, when the Sun is arrived at the Sign Cancer, and enters Cancer, he turns back again to the South.

Qu. How many Degrees is the Tropic of Cuncer from the Equator?

Ans.

Anf. Twenty-three Degrees, 30 Minutes.

Qu. What is that Line which is below the Equator towards the South?

Ans. The Tropic of Capricorn.

Qu. Why is it so called?

Ans. Because when the Sun arrives at it, and enters Capricorn, which happens on the 11th of December, it turns again towards the South.

Qu. How many Degrees is the Tropic of Capricorn

from the Equator?

Anf. Twenty-three Degrees and 30 Minutes.

Qu. What is the Arttic Circle?

Anf. It is upon a Map or the Globe a circular Line, which stretches out in Breadth round the North Pole, between the Arctic Pole, and the Tropic of Cancer.

Qu. How many Degrees is the Arctic Circle dif-

tant from the Arctic Pole?

Ans. Twenty-three Degrees, 30 Minutes.

Qu. How many Degrees from the Tropic of Cancer?

Ans. Forty-three Degrees.

Qu. Why is this Circle called Arttic?

Ans. Because it encompasses that Part of the Globe which lies about the North Pole. The Word Aretic is derived from the Greek Term Aprilo, which is in Latin Ursa, i. e. a Bear; because the two Constellations called the great and little Bears, are placed in this Quarter.

Qu. What is the Antarctic Circle?

Ans. It is a circular Line, which in Breadth encompasses that Part of the Globe, which lies about the South Pole.

Qu. Where is this Circle placed?

Ans. Between the Tropics of Capricorn, and the Antarctic Pole.

Qu. What Distance is there between the Antarctic Circle and the Antarctic Pole?

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Anf. Twenty-three Degrees 30 Minutes.

Qu. How many Degrees distant from the Tropic

of Capricorn?

Anf. Forty - three; all which Distances beforementioned, are to be seen and counted on the Meridian Line, or Circumserence of the Planispheres in the Map representing the Globe.

CHAP. III.

Of the small Lines which are described on the GLOBE drawn Breadth-ways.

Quest. HOW many small Lines are there on a Globe or Map, drawn Breadth-ways?

Anf. There should be Thirty-six.

Qu. How many fuch Lines are upon the two He-

mispheres ?

Ans. Eighteen upon both, nine towards the North, and nine towards the South; but these Lines terminate in both Poles, which is to be observed, though not expressed.

Qu. By what Names are these Lines commonly

known, or diffinguished?

Anf. By that of Parallel Equators; because they supply the Place of the Equator; and 2. By the Lines of Latitude; because they shew the Distances of Places from the Equinoctial. But amongst these Parallels, the Circle or Line next to each Pole, is called the Polar Circle.

Qu. How many Degrees are these Lines distant

from each other?

Ans. Ten, both Southwards and Northwards.

Qu. Why are these Lines upon the Map drawn curved or crooked?

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Ans. On Account of the Roundness of the He-misphere.

Qu. Of what Use are those Lines in a Map?

Ans. To find out readily the Latitude of Places.

Qu. From whence is the Latitude of Places taken?

Ans. From the Equator to each Pole, which therefore distinguishes between North and South Latitude.

CHAP. IV.

Of the small Lines which are on the GLOBE, &c. drawn Length-ways.

Quest. WHAT Lines are drawn length-ways in a Map?

Ans. All those which are drawn from the Artic to the Antarctic Pole.

Qu. By what Names are they distinguished from the other Lines?

Ans. By that of second Meridians; and 2. By Lines of Longitude, being the Line by which the Distance of a Place from the Meridian Line is known.

Qu. How many of these Lines are there?

Ans. Some reckon 35; others, who add the Grand Meridian Line to it, make it 36; their Distance is always 10 Degrees from each other.

Qu. What is the Name of the Middle-line among

them?

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Ans. The strait Stroke, which Geographers draw in the Middle of the Hemisphere, is by some called Colurus Solstitiorum; because it runs and goes in one Hemisphere through the Summer Solstice, and in the other Hemisphere through the Winter Solstice.

Secondly, They are called the Meridian Lines because when it is Noon, a Man, the Sun, and both Poles stand in an equal Line.

CHAP. V.

Of the Circles that appear upon the GLOBE.

Qu. HOW many Circles belong to an artificial Globe?

Anf. Two, the one representing the Horizon,

the other the Meridian.

First, Of the Horizon.

Qu. WHAT Sort of Line, or Circle, is the Horizon?

Ans. It is the broad wooden Circle, which encompasses an artificial Globe of the Earth, and divides the same into two equal Parts, called Hemispheres, one of them the superior or visible, and the other the inferior or invisible.

Qu. How many Sorts of Horizons are there?

Ans. Two, the Rational and Sensible. Qu. What is the Rational Horizon?

Ans. A Circle which encompasses the Earth exactly in the Middle, and whose Poles are called the Zenith and Nadir, cutting, or dividing the Globe into two equal Parts.

Qu. What are the Zenith and the Nadir?

Ans. The Zenith is an imaginary Point in the Heavens, above our Heads; from which a Line is conceived to pass through the middle of the Horizontal Circle, and to reach another Point diametrically opposite, under our Feet, which is the Nadir.

Du. What is the Sensible Horizon?

Anf. It is a Circle parallel to the Rational Horizon, which limits our Sight, and may be conceived to be made by fome great Plain, or the Surface of the Sea. It divides the Globe into two Parts, the one light, and the other dark.

Qu. What is the Use of the Horizon?

Ans. It shows the rising and setting of the Stars. Sun, and Moon, which are faid to rife, when they come above the Horizon, and may be feen all the while they are above it; and to fet, when they go below the Horizon, and become invisible.

Secondly, It shews, by the Help of the Meridian, the four Quarters of the World, which have been from the Time of Charles the Great to this Time. known by the Names of East, West, North, and South.

Qu. Have those four Quarters no other Names? Ans. Yes, They are called by fuch as live at a great Distance from the Sea, Thus:

1. North is called Mid-night. 2. South Mid-day.

3. East Morning. 4. West Evening.

The Latins call them, I. Septentrio. 2. Meridies. 3. Oriens, and 4. Occidens.

Qu. Where must one look for those Names?

Anf. They are commonly placed at the utmost Rim of the Horizon in a Globe; but in a Map they are printed on the four Sides, or elfe they are denoted by a Circle representing a Sea Compass, the Flowerde-Lis always pointing to the North Quarter, which regulates all the other Points.

Qu. What else bears the Appellation of the four

Quarters?

Anf. The four Cardinal or Capital Winds, which blow from the four Angles, or Corners. 1. Eurus, or Subfolanus, the East Wind, which comes from the Morning. 2. Zephyrus, or Favonius, the West Wind, Wind, which comes from the Evening. 3. Notus, or Auster, the South-Wind, which comes from the Mid-day. And 4. Boreas, or Aquilo, the North-Wind, which comes from the Midnight Quarter.

Secondly of the MERIDIAN.

Du. WHAT is the Meridian?

Ans. A great Circle, which passes through the Poles of the World, and the Zenith and Nadir of the Poles to which it belongs.

Qu. Into how many Degrees is this Circle di-

vided?

Ans. Into 360.

The Meridian cuts the Sphere into equal Parts, one of which is the Eastern, the other the Western

Hemisphere.

The Points where the Meridian cuts the Rational Horizon are the North and South; and the Points where the Equator cuts the same Horizon are the true East and West.

Qu. How is the Meridian divided?

Ans. 1. Into the Grand Meridian. 2. the First, and 3. the Second.

Qu. What is the Grand Meridian?

Ans. That great Circle on a Globe, whereon are marked 360 Degrees.

Qu. Why is it so called?

Ans. Because it serves instead of all other Meridians, and may be placed at Pleasure, in such a Position as that one may always know, what Places are under the same Meridian.

Qu. What is the first Meridian?

Ans. It is that, from whence Geographers take their first Noon-Tide, and shews where one should begin to count the Degrees of Longitude, namely from West to East; or from East to West.

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Qu. Through what Place is the first Meridian drawn?

Ans. 1. The most Modern Geographers draw the First Meridian through the Canary Islands, and in particular through that of Teneriss, or Palma, or Ferra, and herein they follow Ptolemy. 2. Others, on the contrary, have drawn the same surther back towards the West, through the Islands called the Azores, and in particular through that of Corvo. Some of our Modern Geographers have drawn it through London; neither is any Geographer confined to any certain Place for a first Meridian, any surther than that 'tis more proper to place it at some general known Place, rather than at an obscure one.

Qu. What are the second Meridians?

Ans. All the Strokes from the Poles parallel to the first Meridian. And the Grand Meridian was invented that the Globe might not be clogged with too many Strokes.

Qu. Of what Use is the Meridian?

Ans. It shews the Height of the Poles, i.e. the Elevation of the Pole above the Horizon; for when the Poles of the World are not in the Horizon, one of them must be above, and the other below it; and the Elevation of that above is measured by the Numbers contained upon that Part of the Meridian, which is between the Pole and the Horizon, and marked on the Brazen Meridian. This Elevation is made agreeable to the Latitude of the Place, whose Meridian is made choice of whereby to work any Problems upon the Globe.



CHAP. VI.

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Of the broad Circles, or Trasts of both Hemiipheres, that appear upon a GLOBE or MAP.

Quest. WHAT broad Circles are to be ob-

Ans. Two Sorts, 1st, Some that are expressed upon the Globe, and are called Zones, or Girdles, and 2d, Some that are not marked upon the Globe, and are called Climates.

First, Of the Zon Es.

Qu. FROM whence is the Word Zone derived?

Anf. From the Greek Word ζώνη, a Girdle, and ζωννίω, i. e. Cingo, L. encompass; because the Zones do as it were encompass both the Heaven and Earth.

Qu. What are they?

Ans. They are those Spaces, or Tracts, which lie between the Tropics, the Polar Circles, and both Poles.

Qu. And why are these Tracts called Zones?

Ans. Because they are like a Girdle, or Belt about the Globe.

Qu. What Number of Zones are there?

Ans. There are three, or rather five, 1. The Torrid Zone. 2. The two Temperate Zones, and 3. The two Frozen Zones.

Of the Torrid ZONE.

Qu. WHAT is the Torrid Zone?

Ans. It is that Space, or Breadth of the Earth, which lies between the two Tropics.

Qu. Why is it called Torrid?

Ans. On Account of the great Heat, caused by the Sun in that Tract wherein both Day and Night are always of an equal Length; and the Ancients were possessed with a Notion, that this Tract of the Earth was not inhabitable, but the contrary is now well known to every Body.

Qu. What Countries lie under the Torrid Zone?

Ans. The Continents of Africa, Guinea, Lybia, Abyssinia, Arabia Felix, East India, New Guinea, and great Part of America, together with the Islands situated near these Countries, which for the most Part are peopled with Blacks.

Of the Temperate ZONES.

Qu. WHAT are these in respect to Space or Extent?

Ans. That Part of the Globe, which lies between the Tropic and Poles.

Qu. How are these Zones divided?
Ans. Into Northern and Southern.

Qu. Which is the North Temperate Zone?

Ans. That Part of the Globe which lies between the Tropic of Cancer, and the Artic Polar Circle, and contains in Breadth 43 Degrees.

Qu. What Countries lie under this Zone?

Ans. Almost all Europe, viz. Spain, France, Germany, Italy, England, Scotland, and Ireland; great Part of Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Poland, Russia, the Lesser Asia, Natolia, Greece, Judea, or Palestine, Assyria, and a good Part of the Greater Asia, viz. Armenia, Persia, Part of India, of Great Tartary, of China; the Kingdom of Japan, and a great Part of North-America, besides many Islands which are to be found on the Globe.

Qu. Which is the South Temperate Zone?

Anf. That Part of the Globe which lies between the Tropic of Capricorn, and the Antarctic Polar Circle, and is in Breadth 43 Degrees.

Qu. What Countries lie under this Zone?

Ans. The uttermost Parts of Africa, and that of the Cape of Good Hope; as also a great Part of South America.

In all the Countries under the Temperate Zones, both the Heat and Cold increase and decrease, according to the Approach or Diftance of the Sun, as do the Days and Nights in Length; for when the Sun declines to the South, then the Days with us grow fhort, and the Nights long; but when it inclines to the North, the Days grow long, and the Nights short: In the South Temperate Zone, on the contrary, when the Sun declines to the North, the Days grow short, and when it inclines to the South, they grow long.

Of the Frozen ZONES.

Qu. How are these Zones divided? Ans. Into Northern and Southern.

Qu. Which is the North Frozen Zone?

Ans. That Part of the Globe, which extends from the Arctic Polar Circle, to the Arctic Pole, and contains 23 Degrees and a half, or 1,410 English Miles.

Qu. What Countries lie under this Zone?

Ans. The upper Part of America, the uttermost Bounds of Europe, as the Point of Norway and Swedeland, the Heart of Lapland and Finland, Greenland, and Spitzbergen, where the Whales are caught, with a great Part of Tartary.

Qu. Which is the South Frozen Zone?
Anf. That Part of the Globe which re That Part of the Globe which reaches from the Antarctic Polar Circle to the Antarctic Pole, and contains

contains 23 Degrees and a half, or 1,410 English Miles.

Qu. What Countries lie under this Zone?

Anf. The Countries under this Zone are not yet well known; the boisterous Winds, and the rough Seas having hitherto hindered our Sailors from making a thorough Discovery of all; or which is most likely, the greatest Distance thither from Europe, discourages the Undertaking, and disables the Adventurers, after sailing so far, from continuing their Discoveries by reason of Sickness, want of Provisions, and Irresolution of the Sailors, which generally ends in a Mutiny.

Qu. What is the Nature or Quality of these

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Anf. They are always very cold; they have for fix whole Months continual Day - Light, and no Nights; and the remaining fix Months a continual Dusk.

Secondly, of the CLIMATES.

Qu. WHAT is the Signification of the Word Climate?

Ans. It has its Derivation from the Greek Word xxipas, Plaga, Tractus, i. e. a Tract, or Space.

Qu. What is a Climate?

Ans. It is a Tract, which is delineated on the Globe, by two Parallels, between the Equator and the Polar Circles, wherein the Days within half an Hour, by Addition or Substraction, change according to the Course of the Sun. And whenever the Day has increased or decreased half an Hour, there is another Climate.

Qu. How many Climates are there?

Anf. Formerly there were but seven, the first was drawn though Meroe, the last through the Riphæan Mountains. But now their Number is increased to

48, viz. 24 towards the North, and the same Number towards the South.

Qu. Where does the first Climate begin?

Anf. In the first Degree of the first Meridian, where it is interfected by the Equator.

Qu. Where is this to be looked for?

Ans. Upon the Surface of the Meridian Circle, which does not interfere with the other Hemisphere.

Qu. Where doth the 24th Climate end?

Anf. At the 67th Degree of Latitude; for further towards the Pole the Days do not grow longer by Hours, but by Weeks and Months.

CHAP. VII.

Of EUROPE, and its Situation.

Qu. HOW many Particulars are observable with respect to Europe?

Anf. Six, 1. Its Name. 2. Situation. 3. Extent or Largeness. 4. Its Division. 5. The Seas that encompass it, and the chief Rivers that Water it. And 6. The Religions professed therein. The Nature of its Soil, and the Usages, or Customs of its Inhabitants.

Qu. From whence had Europe its Name? Ans. From Europa, the Daughter of Agenor, King

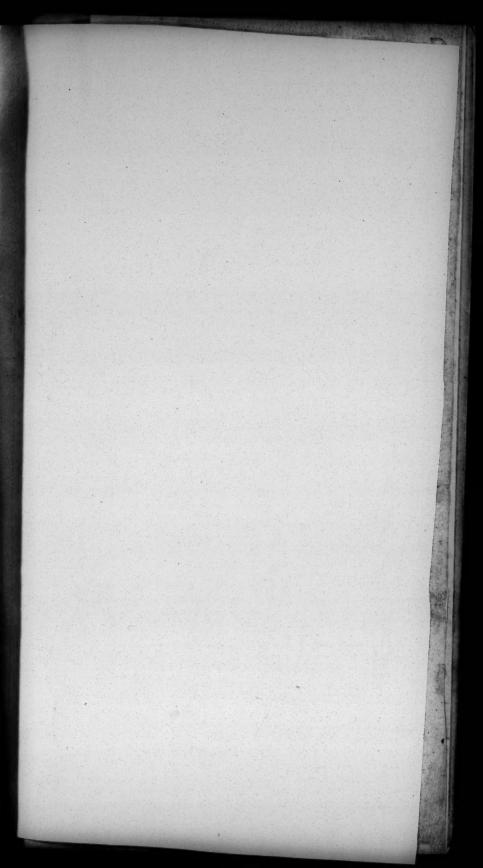
of Phoenicia.

Qu. How is Europe situated?

Anf. In Relation to the other Parts of the World, towards the North.

Qu. How is it bounded?

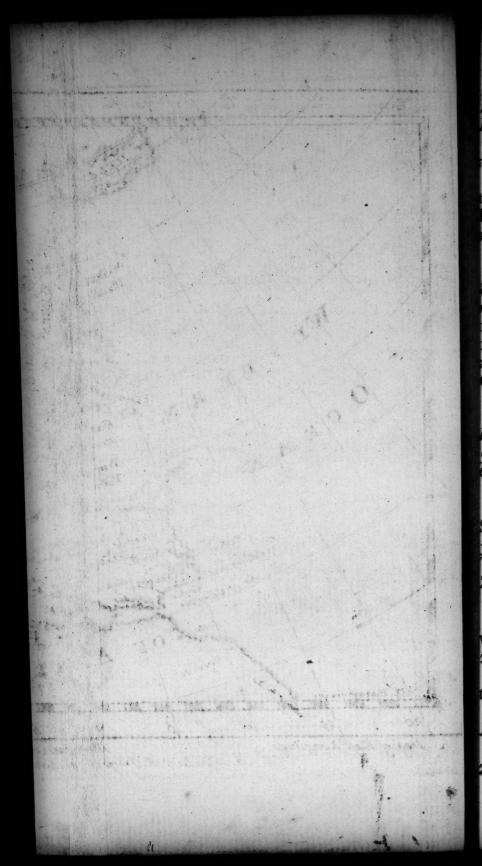
Anf. 1. On the East by Asia and the Euxine, or Black Sea, which communicates with the Mediterranean by Constantinople. 2. On the South by Africa, and the Mediterranean Sea. 3. On the West by the Atlantic







annexed in this and all the following Maps may serve as a Scale. Deg. of West Longitude



Atlantic Ocean. 4. On the North by the Arctic

Qu. What is the Extent of Europe in its Length

and Breadth?

Ans. The Length taken from Cape St. Vincent, on the South-West of Spain to the River Oby, on the Frontiers of Muscovy, is about 3,600 English Miles, and it is from Sweden to Greece about 2,200 Miles.

Qu. How is Europe divided?

Ans. Into 15 Parts; namely, 1. Portugal. 2. Spain. 3. France. 4. Italy. 5. Switzerland. 6. Germany. 7. the Netherlands. 8. Poland. 9. Denmark. 10. Norway. 11. Sweden. 12. Muscovy, or Russia. 13. the European Tartary. 14. Turkey in Europe: and the European Islands; the Chief of which are Great-Britain, and Ireland.

Qu. How many Seas encompass Europe?

Ans. Seven; 1. The Mediterranean. 2. the Atlantic Ocean. 3. The North Sea. 4. The Baltic. 5. The White Sea. 6. The Black Sea, and 7. the Grecian Sea, or the Archipelago.

Qu. How many Streights are there in Europe?

Ans. Five, 1. The Streights of Gibraltar. 2. The Streights of Dover, between England and France.
3. The Sound, between Denmark and Sweden. 4. The Streights of Weygats between Muscovy and Nova Zembla, and 5. The Streights of Constantinople.

Qu. Which are the Languages of Europe?

Ans. There are three Mother-Tongues, from whence all the others are derived; viz. 1. The Latin, 2. the German, and 3. the Sclavonian.

From the Latin are derived, 1. The Spanish, 2.

the Italian, and 3. the French.

From the German are derived, 1. The English, 2.

Dutch, 3. Danish, and 4. Swedish.

From the Sclavonian are derived, 1. The Bohemian, 2. Hungarian, 3. Polish, and 4. Russian Language.

Qu. What Religion flourishes most in Europe?

Ans. The Christian Religion; for the dispersed fews are of no great Consequence; neither has the Mahometan Religion much Footing in this Part of the World.

Qu. Is the Christian Religion in Europe of one Establishment only?

Anf. No, It is partly Roman Catholick, and partly

Protestant.

Qu. What Diffinction is there between a Roman

Catholick and a Protestant?

Ans. They both have indeed the facred Writings for their Foundation, but not the fame Profession of Faith.

Qu. On what Foundation is the Roman Catholick

Religion established?

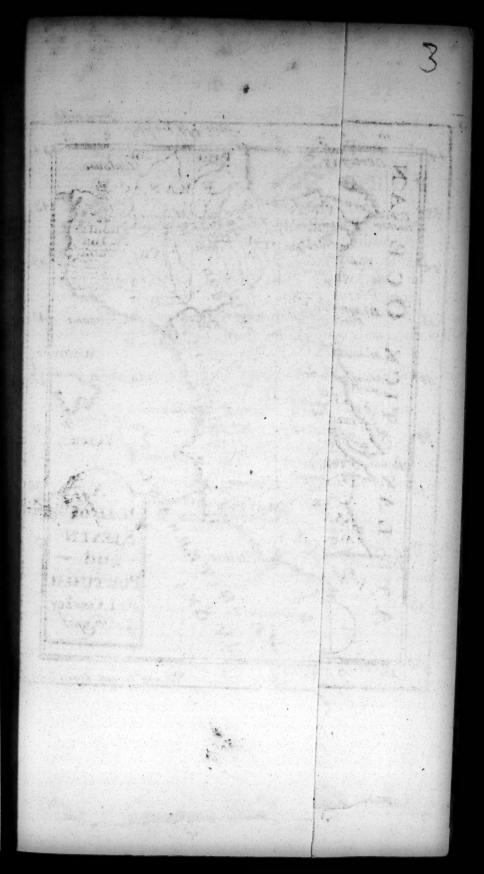
Ans. 1. They acknowledge the Pope of Rome as the visible Head of the Church, and Vicar of Christ here upon Earth. 2. They ground their Doctrine next to Holy Writ, partly upon Tradition, partly upon the Primitive Fathers of the Church, the Councils, the Decrees of Popes, and principally upon the Council of Trent, which is their Symbolick Book of Faith; except in France, where it is not received.

3. They hold seven Sacraments. 4. They believe Transubstantiation, Purgatory, &c. 5. They worship the Saints, especially the Virgin Mary; and they have several other Institutions and Ceremonies, to which the Protestants are averse.

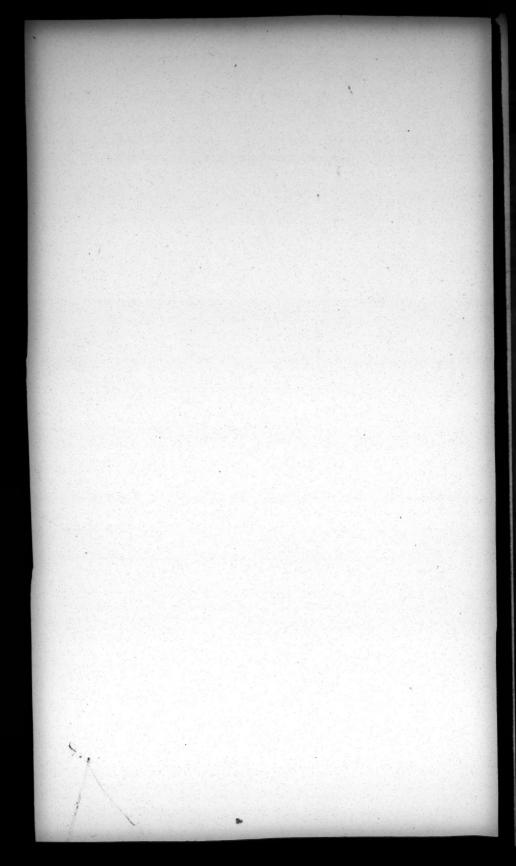
Qu. Wherein consists the Protestant Religion?

Anf. Principally in four Points. 1. They ground their Doctrine and Religion only upon Holy Writ. 2. They believe but two Sacraments, viz. Baptism and the Lord's Supper. 3. They hold but two Places, where after Death the Soul doth retire, viz. Heaven and Hell. 4. They acknowledge no visible Head of the Church.

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CHAP. VIII. Of PORTUGAL.

ROM whence has Portugal its Name?

Anf. According to some Writers, Portuderives its Name from a famous Harbour called, and Cale or Gale, which is an adjacent City. others say, from Portus Gallorum.

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in that Quarter. The Ancients looked upon it he End of the Earth.

Du. How is it bounded?

Inf. South and Wiest, on the Atlantick Ocean, East and Roztly, on the Spanish Provinces.

Qu. How large is Portugal?

in Breadth from Boath to South, it is 320, in Breadth from East to West, about 100 Miles.

Qu. How is this Kingdom divided?

Info fix Capital Provinces, 1. Estremadura, Beira. 3. Entre Minho e Douro. 4. Tra los Mon-(which is over the Mountains.) 5. Alantejo, or re Tajo Guadiana. And 6. Algarve, which, tho's smallest Province, has the Title of a Kingdom.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Estremadura? Inst. Liston, the Capital of the whole Kingdom, ch is situated on the River Tagus, a City of great de with one of the finest Harbours in Europe. ere is also an University, and an Archbishop's See. e Archbishop is now Patriarch of the whole Kingn, and all its Dependencies.

Qu. What is most observable in Alantejo?

Ans. 1. Evora, an ancient City, where is an hbishoprick, and an University. And 2. Elvas,

a fine City, and well fortified. It has a Bishop's See under the Archbishop of Lisbon.

Qu. What is Beira chiefly noted for?

Ans. Coimbra, where is a famous University, and a Bishop's See, under the Archbishop of Lisbon.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in the Pro-

vince of Entre Minho e Duoro?

Ans. 1. The great City Braga, where resides the Metropolitan, or Chief Archbishop of the whole Kingdom. 2. Porto, a famous Sea-Port, and City of great Trade, and 3. Miranda de Douro, a Fortification and Bishop's See, under the Archbishop of Braga.

Qu. What is chiefly observable in Tra los Montes? Ans. The Capital City Braganza, from which the

present Royal Family derives its Name.

Qu. What is the most remarkable in Algarve?

Anf. 1. The Capital Tavira, which has a Castle and Harbour. 2. Faro, an Episcopal City. 3. Cabo de St. Vincente, which is the uttermost Point of Europe. In this Territory are many Hot Baths, much frequented from all Parts of Portugal.

Qu. How many Rivers are there in Portugal?

Ans. Three large ones, 1. The Tajo. 2. The Douro. 3. The Guadiana. And three little ones, 1. Minho, 2. Mondego, and 3. Zezare, which flows between the Tajo or Tagus, and the Douro.

Qu. What is the Produce of this Country?

Anf. As Portugal is a hot Country, it wants neither for Wine, Oil, nor Salt; but on Account of its many Hills and Mountains, Corn is very fcarce, with which they are supplied from other Countries.

Qu. What is the natural Temper, and Constitu-

tion of the Portugueze?

Ans. They have been a valiant People, and noted, not only for their Skill and Navigation, but for their first Discoveries in the new World; they are much

degenerated. They are treacherous to one another, cruel, and addicted to Covetouiness and Usury. They fill apply themselves notwithstanding, very diligenty to Trade and Commerce.

Qu. What is their Form of Government?

Anf. Ever fince the Revolution in 1640, it has ontinued an independent Kingdom from Spain, goerned by their own Kings, whose Government is Monarchical, and the Crown Hereditary.

Qu. Who is the present King of Portugal?

Ans. Johannes V. Born October the 22d, 1689, nd began his Reign January the 1st, 1707.

Qu. What is the established Religion?

Ans. The only Religion, openly professed there, is nat of the Roman Catholicks; and although there e a great Number of Jews, they must be very rerved, for upon the least Suspicion they are delivered to the Hands of the Inquisition. The Case is the me with respect to the Protestants who reside there.

Qu. What other Countries believes belong to the

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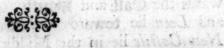
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Anf. In Africa they have I. Marazan. 2. Loanda . Paulo. 3. Mosambique. 4. The Islands Cape rde, and several other little Islands about the Line. hey possess 5. The Mands Madera, &c. In Asia, Goa, 2. Dio, and other Places. In America, Brazil, and 2. The Azores, or Azorian Islands. Au. Is there any Order of Knighthood belonging Portugal?

Ans. The Kings of Partugal are great Masters of Order of Christ that reside at Tomar, likewise of

t of Avis and St. James.



CHAP. IX.

Qu. F ROM whence had Spain its Name?

Anf. From one of their first Kings, whole Name was Hispano; others will have its Name de riv'd from the City of Sevil, which formerly was call'd Hispali, and was then the Capital of Spain.

Qu. How is Spain bounded?

Ans. Towards the Cast upon the Mediterranean towards the West upon Portugal; on the Mosth has the Bay of Biscay and France; and on the Sout the Streights of Gibraltar.

Qu. How large is Spain?

Ans. The Length is reckon'd about 640 Mile and the Breadth about the same Extent.

Qui. How is Spain divided?

Ans. Into 13 Provinces, some of which have to Title of Kingdoms.

Qu. What are their Names?

Ans. 1. New Castile, 2. Old Castile, 3. the Kindom of Leon, 4. the Kingdom of Andalusia, 5. Kingdom of Granada, 6. The Kingdom of Mura 7. the Kingdom of Valencia, 8. the Kingdom Gallicia, 9. Austuria, 10. Biscay, 11. the Kingdom of Navarra, 12. the Kingdom of Arragon, 2. 13. the Kingdom of Catalonia.

Qu. How are all these Countries situated?

Ans. Navarra, Arragon, and Catalonia, lie wards the Pyrenean Mountains. 2. Gallicia, Austrand Biscay, lie towards the Mozth. 3. Valent Murcia, Granada, and Part of Andalusia, lie wards the Cast and South. 4. the rest of Andalusia and Leon lie towards the Cast 5. Old Castile and New Castile lie in the Middle.

Qu. What is there remarkable in New Castile

Anf. Three Things, 1. Madrid, the Capital and efidence of the Kings of Spain. 2. Toledo, a large ty, fituated on a high Rock, and well fortified. th an Archbishoprick, which is the richest in wistendom; the yearly Revenue whereof amounts near a Million of French Livres. 3. The Escurial, Royal Palace, and Burial-Place for the Kings. Qu. What is most remarkable in Old Castile? Ans. 1. Burgos, the Capital City. 2. Valladolid. of the largest, and finest Cities in all Spain, forrly the King's Residence: In it are 130 Churches. Convents, a Bishoprick, and an University. Qu. What is observable in the Kingdom of Leon?

Ans. 1. Leon, which is the Capital City. 2. Sa-

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Qu. What is there remarkable in Andalusia?
Ans. 1. Seville, the Capital, which exceeds in geness, Trade, Riches, and Beauty, all the Cinin Spain. They have this Proverb: Qui non vidit illia, non vidit mirabilia; the Meaning of which He that has not seen Sevil, has not seen any Thing derful. 2. Gibraltar, a strong Fortistication at Mouth of the Streights, now belonging to at-Britain. 3. Cadiz, a very famous Sea-Port, re commonly the Spanish Galleons and Flotilla ad their Treasures brought from New Spain, rico, and Peru. There is likewise an Archbirick, and an University.

u. What is Granada noted for?

nf. 1. Granada, which is the Capital City, is and fine, though not populous. 2. Malaga, Port and Fortification; which is well known s Wines.

u. What is most remarkable in Murcia?

of. 1. Murcia, which is the Capital, a fine, and City with a Bishoprick. 2. Carthagena, which has good Sea-Port and Castle on the Mediterranean.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Valencia?

Ans. Kalencia, the Capital, with an Archbisho rick, a pleasant, and fine City; which is often called on that Account Formosa. 2. Alicant, a So Port, famous for its strong-bodied Wines.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Gallicia?

Anf. Four Things, 1. Compostella, or St. Jag To this Place abundance of Pilgrims refort daily pay their Devotion to St. James the Apostle, who Body, as they say, is there deposited. 2. Corunga a well built City, and Port. 3. Vigo, also a say Port. 4. Capo Finie Terra, a large Tract of Hi so called on Account of being, before the Discour of America, supposed to be the uttermost Parts the Earth.

Qu. What is there observable in Austuria?

Ans. Three Things, 1. The Prince Royal Spain, always bears the Title of Prince of Isturia.

2. Oviedo, the Capital, but poorly in bited. There is a Bishoprick, and an Universe but of no great Note.

3. Villa Viciosa, a very

fant Town.

Qu. What is chiefly to be noted in Biscay?

Ans. 1. Bilboa, the Capital, a large, and City, with a very good Harbour. 2. Fontard a strong Fortification on the Borders of Frag. St. Sebastian, a very strong Sea-Port.

Qu. What is remarkable in Navarra?
Anf. Pampelona, the Capital, a flourishing

where is also an University.

Qu. What is most observable in Arragon?
Ans. 1. Saragossa, the Capital, and an Arragossa.

fhop's See, with a famous University.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Catalonia?

Ans. Four Things, 1. Barcelona, the Catalonia which is situated near the Sea, and has a fine with very strong Fortisications. 2. Tarragona

rchbishoprick, in former Ages the most famous ity in all Spain, but very much gone to Decay on count of the Wars with France. 3. Roses, a ong Castle, with a good Harbour. 4. Geronne, good Fortification, also a Bishop's See and Univer-

Qu. What Rivers flow through this Country?

Anf. 1. Durius, or Douro. 2. The Guadiana, nich runs under Ground four Leagues. 4. The Gualquivir, which runs by Sevil. 5. Ebro, which falls to the Mediterranean, and 6. the River Tajo.

Qu. How is Spain with respect to its Climate, and

atural Productions?

Ans. The Air of the Country is generally very od, and the Soil fertile, were it but as well cultited. In the Time of the Romans, Spain was looked on as the most plentiful and fruitful Country in World, and produced every Thing that either nbition or Necessity required. They sent in a few ears into Italy 600,000 Weight of unwrought Sil, of coarse Silver 40,000 Weight; and of Gold 1,000 Weight, and besides all this a vast Quantity Coin. History tells us, that the Country abounded Men, Horses and Cattle; that it produced Corn, ine, and Oil, in Abundance, and that it was red with Mines of Gold and Silver, Brass, Iron, ad, Quicksilver, and Salt, and that in general, Country was very fruitful.

Qu. What Character do the Spaniards bear in

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Ans. They are of a swarthy Complexion, their is generally black, and their Aspect and Determent very majestick; they are great Admirers all Sorts of polite Literature; are very grave, seals, and deliberate, slow in Counsel, but resolute constant in the Execution of their Designs. They el in liberal Arts, but undervalue Mechanicks,

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which they think beneath the Notice of Gentlemen. They are good Soldiers, patient, and couragious, but Tyrants over a vanquished Enemy.

Qu. How is Spain governed?

Ans. All the forementioned Kingdoms or Provinces are governed by one King, who is Hereditary. He has several Councils, viz. The Council of State. The Council of War. The Council of Castile. Of Arragon. Of the Indies. Of the Orders. Of the Chamber. Of the Finances. Of the Croisades: And of the Inquisition.

Qu. What is the Inquisition?

Anf. It has nine Tribunals, namely, those of Toledo, Granada, Sevil, Corduba, Murcia, Cuenza Legrona, Lerida, and Valladolid, and a Sovereig Court at Madrid, the President whereof is called the Inquisitor General. They judge without Appeal of sour Crimes, viz. Heresy, Witchcraft, Sodom and Polygamy, and the Sentence is called AUT

DE FE, or, The Ast of Faith.

The Number of Informers who are employed the Inquisition, amounts throughout the Kingdom 20,000. If any Person is suspected of Heresy, the Informers are fent to him, who fay no more but, the Name of the Holy Inquisition we arrest you: The Moment the unhappy Wretch is forfaken, by Father Mother, Wife, Children, and Kindred; hereum his Hair is cut off, and then he must give a List all his Effects, which are prefently fold. He know not his Accusers, or of what he is accused; and must wait three Months or longer, before he is e amined. If by that Time he does not confess him felf guilty of one of the faid four Crimes, he is carrie back to Prison, and inhumanly tortured. Some of of Terror confess what they never were guilty when by the Act of Faith they are condemned the Flames.

Qu. Doth the King of Spain keep a magnificent

Ans. No, most of the Courts of Europe appear with more Splendor and Magnificence. He has three orts of Guards, viz. The Burgundian, the German. nd the Spanish; they all ride on Horieback, and arry Launces. Besides these, there is a Body Guard of 150, called the Guard of Espinosa, who lodge ighest the King's Person.

Qu. Why is this Guard called Espinosa?

Ans. Because these are all Natives of a Borough. alled Espinosa, an Inhabitant whereof formerly difovered a Plot against the King.

Qu. Are there any Orders of Knighthood in

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Ans. Yes, there are five Orders, 1. That of the Golden Fleece, which is chiefly bestowed upon Foeign Princes and Lords. 2. That of St. Jago, or t. James. 3. That of Alcantara, or Calatrava. That of St. Salvador de Montreal, and 5. That f Monteza, which last is in no great Esteem.

Qu. How many Grandees of Spain are there, and

what Privileges do they posses?

Ans. There are 93 Grandee Places; some are Grandees during Life only, and others are fo by Ineritance. They all have the Privilege of being coered in the King's Presence. They are distinguished nto three Ranks. The first cover their Heads beore they speak to the King; the second, may put on heir Hats after they have begun to speak; and the hird, only put them on after they have done speaking o the King.

Qu. What is the established Religion in Spain? Anf. None but the Roman Catholick Religion is toerated throughout all the Country. And People hat are of any other Persuasion must be very cautious, nd keep their Sentiments within their own Breast,

if they would escape the Severity of the Inquisi-

Qu. Who is the Titular Saint of Spain?
Ans. St. Jago, or St. James the Apostle.
Qu. What Islands are there near Spain?

Ans. There are three; Majorca, Minorca, and Ivica, which have a Capital City of the same Name, except Minorca, that has Citadella for its Capital. They belong to Spain, only Port-Mahon, which has the finest Harbour in the Mediterranean, is now in the Hands of the English, who took it in the late Wars, and have kept it ever since.

Qu. What other Countries belong to the King

of Spain?

Ans. They have in Asia several Islands, particularly the Philippines. In Africa they have Ceuta, Oran, and several other Places. In America, they have Mexico, Terra Firma, Peru, the Canary Islands, and many other Countries: No Prince in the whole Universe has such large Dominions as the Kings of Spain. Upon which Account some of their Predecessors have boasted, that the Sun never sets in their Territories.

Qu. What Titles does the King of Spain assume! Ans. In his Title he is stiled, besides King of Spain, King of Castile, Leon, Arragon, Sicily, Naples, Ferufalem, Portugal, Navarra, Granada, Toledo, Valencia, Gallicia, Majorca, Seville, Sardinia, Cordova, Corsica, Murcia, Jaen, Algarve, Alegestre, and Gibraltar; the Canaries, East and West-Indies, Archduke of Austria, Burgundy, Brabant, and Milan; Count of Flanders, Tirol, and Barcelona; Lord of Biscay and Mechlin, &c.

Qu. Who is the present King of Spain?

Ans. Philip V. Grandson to Louis XIV. Born December the 19th 1683. He renounced as Duke of Anjou, all his Right to the Crown of France, the 5th

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November 1712, and accepted that of Spain. In muary 1724, he abdicated that Crown, and gave it his Son Lewis I. But the young King dying Authe 31st, next following, he was prevailed upon reassume the Throne.

CHAP. X.

Of FRANCE.

m. FROM whence had France its Name?

Anf. From the Franks, a vagrant Peoe, who came from Germany, and possessed themves of the greatest Part of this Country.

Qu. How is France situated?

Ans. It has Spain towards the South, from which ature has divided it by the Pyrenean Mountains, hich are of a surprizing Height, and extend from a Mediterranean Sea to the great Ocean, which is Tract of 240 Miles.

Mosthwards it has the English Channel, and the

ustrian Netherlands.

It is **Castwards** parted from Germany by the River bine; from the Swiss by the Swisser Mountains; d from Italy by the Alps. Mestwards it has that art of the Great Ocean, called the Bay of Biscay.

Qu. How broad is it?

Ans. From the Channel to the Mediterranean, it computed about 600 English Miles.

Qu. How is France divided?

Ans. Into twelve Provinces, viz. 1. The Isle of rance, 2. Orleannois, 3. Lionnois, 4. Bretaigne, Normandy, 6. Picardy, 7. Guienne, 8. Langue, c, 9. Provence, 10. Dauphine, 11. Bourgogne, ad 12. Champagne.

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Qu. Which of these Provinces lie Rozthwards! Ans. 1. Picardy, 2. Normandy, 3. Bretagne.

Qu. Which to the South?

Ans. 1. Guienne, 2. Languedoc, and 3. Provence.

Qu. Which lie to the Cast!

Ans. 1 Dauphine, 2. Bourgogne, and 3. Cham-

Qu. Which are the Midland Provinces?

Ans. 1. Lionnois, 2. Orleannois, and 3. the Isle of

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Isle of France?

Ans. 1. Paris, the Capital City of the whole Kingdom, which has hardly its Equal in Europe, as to Largeness and Beauty. There is a very famous University, and a rich Archbishoprick, which confers on the Person who enjoys it, the Title and Honours of Duke and Peer of France. 2. Versailles, 3. Fontainbleau, 4. St. Germain, and 5. Marly, all four Royal Palaces, and magnificent Pleasure-Gardens.

Qu. What is chiefly observable in the Province of

Orleannois?

Ans. 1. The particular District of Orleannois, wherein is Orleans, the Capital, a fine City, the Title of Duke of Orleans, is given to the King's Brothes's Son: It has a Bishoprick and University.

2. Berry, wherein is Bourges, a large City; Archbishoprick, and University.

3. Touraine, in which is Tours, a City and Archbishop's See.

4. Vendomois, wherein is Vendôme, a City, of which the Duke of Vendôme bears his Title.

5. Beauce, wherein is Chartres, a well built City and Bishoprick, the Duke of Chartres bears the Title thereof.

6. Le Maine, of which the Duke de Maine bears the Title.

7. Anjou, wherein is Angers, a Bishoprick and University, the Duke of Anjou bears his Title from thence.

8. Blois, a pleasant Town, situated

on the River Loire. 9. Poitiers, which, next to Paris, is the largest City in France. 10. Rochelle, a Bishoprick, formerly a considerable Fortification of the Huguenots, and a good Sea-Port.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Lyonnois?

Ans. 1. Lions, a large Capital City of great Trade, with a Fortification and Archbishoprick. 2. Bourbon, a Dutchy, from whence the Royal House derives its Name.

Qu. What is most worthy of Observation in Bre-

taigne ?

Ans. In Upper Bretaigne is, 1. Rennes, the Capital City of the Province, and Seat of a Parliament, with a Bishoprick. 2. St. Malo, a considerable Harbour and Fort. 3. Dole, a Bishoprick. In Lower Bretaigne is, 1. Brest a Sea-Port, and flourishing trading City, and Fortification. 2. Port Lewis, a Harbour and Fort.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Normandy?

Ans. In Upper Normandy, is, 1. Rouen the Capital, a City of great Trade, an Archbishoprick, and Parliament. 2. Havre de Grace, a Sea-Port on the River Seine, and Fortification. 3. Dieppe, a Sea-Port, trading City, and Fortification. In Lower Normandy is, 1. Caen, a large populous City, and famous University. 2. Bayeux, a Bishoprick. 3. Avranches, a Bishoprick. 4. Coutance, a Bishoprick belonging to Rouen. 5. Alençon, a Dutchy, sometimes a Title to one of the Princes of the Blood.

Qu. What is observable in Picardy?

Ans. 1. Amiens, the Capital City, and University.
2. Boulogne, a Fortification, Harbour, and Bishoprick.
3. Abbeville, a large trading City, and woollen Manufactory.
4. Ardres, a Frontier Fortification to the Netherlands, and 5. Calais, an incomparable Harbour, and Fortification, a Place of great Importance to the French.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Guienne? Ans. 1. Bourdeaux, the Capital, and one of the largest, and chief trading Cities of France, situated on the River Garonne. Here is a Palace, a Parliament. an University, and an Archbishop who calls himself Primate of Aquitain; likewife a Harbour, 2. Xaintonge, the Capital in Saintes, a City and Bishoprick. 3. Perigueux, Capital of Perigord. 4. Limoges, Capital of Limofin. 5. Cabors, Capital of Querey, 6. Rhodes, Capital of Rouergue, and 7. Agen, Capital of Agenois. The Southern Part of this Province is called Gascogne, and is divided into several Districts. The principal ones are, I. Labourd, wherein is Bajonne, a City, and confiderable Frontier Fortification; but this must not be confounded with that in Spain. II. Bas-Navarre, or the Lower Navarre, wherein is Pau, the Capital, a fine City, and Royal

This last Country is called Lower Navarre, to distinguish it from the Spanish, or Upper Navarre.

Palace, where the Kings of Navarre generally re-

Qu. How is Languedoc divided?

fided. Here also is a Parliament.

Ans. It is divided into four Parts, I. Upper Languedoc, wherein is Toulouse, a considerable City, Archbishoprick, Academy, Fortification, and Parliament.—II. Lower Languedoc, wherein is remakable, 1. Narbonne, a Fortification, and Archbishoprick. 2. Montpellier, peculiarly famous for its wholesome Air, and its University. 3. Nimes, a trading City.—III. The Gevennes, divided into three similar Provinces. 1. Givaudan, wherein is Mande, a Bishoprick. 2. Vivarez, has Viviers, likewise a Bishop's See.—IV. The County of Rousillon, wherein is Perpignan, a Fortification and Bishop's See. 2. Sales, a fortified Place. And 3. Villa Franca, a midling City; besides other Places of less Note.

Qu. What is there remarkabable in Provence? Ans. I. Some Cities as, I. Aix, the Capital of that Province, a Fortification, Archbishoprick, and Parliament. 2. Marfeille, a fine Harbour. 3. Arles, a City famous for its University, with an Archbishoprick. 4. Toulon, a large City and Bishoprick, has a fine Harbour; where the largest Men of War belonging to France are kept. 5. Frejus, a convenient Harbour and Bishoprick. 6. Antibes, well fortified. and a fine Harbour, with feveral other Towns and Bishopricks of less Note. II. The Principality of Orange, wherein is Orange, the Capital City, a Bishoprick and Academy III. The County Venaisin, wherein is Avignon the Capital City. This County together with Avignon, belongs to the Pope, and is governed by one of his Legates.

Qu. How is Dauphine divided?

Ans. Into Upper and Lower Dauphine.

Qu. What is to be observed in Upper Dauphine?

Ans. 1. Grenoble, the Capital City, with a Castle, a Bishoprick, and Parliament. 2. Embrun, a Bishoprick.

Qu. What is remarkable in Lower Dauphine?

Ans. Vienne, which was formerly a powerful City, is situated on the Rhone, and is an Archbishoprick. The Archbishop stiles himself Primate of the Primates of the Gauls. 2. Valence, a Bishoprick and University. 3. Pignerol, a Frontier Town, was the King of France's Key to Italy, but was restored again to the Duke of Savoy. 4. Die, a Bishoprick, where there was formerly a famous Academy for the Protestants.

Note, The eldest Prince of France, is stilled by the Name of Dauphin of France, from this Province.

Qu. How is Bourgogne divided?

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An/. In Upper and Lower Bourgogne; the first sping under the Name of the County of Bourgogne,

or Franche-Gomté; and the second under that of the Dutchy of Burgundy, from which the Title of Duke of Burgundy is derived.

Qu. What belongs principally to the Comté, of

Upper Bourgogne & irovisto el al alcast vol

Ans. 1. Besançon, an Archbishoprick and Parliament. 2. Dole, a fortified Place, with an Academy 3. Grai, a Fortification. 4. Vesoul, a Fortification 5. Salins, famous for its Salt-Pits, and 6. The Abbey of St. Claude.

Qu. What belongs chiefly to the Dutchy,

Lower Bourgogne?

Ans. 1. Dijon, the Capital City, where is a Parliament. 2. Autun, a Place of great Antiquity, an very ancient Bishoprick, and 3. Challon, upon the River Saône, a midling Town.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Champagne?

Ans. 1. Rheims, the Capital City, famous on Account of the King of France being crowned there. has an Archbishop who is first Duke and Peer France. 2. Chalons, a well built City, Bishop's Se and Fortification. 3. Troyes, an ancient and nowned City and Bishop's See.

Qu. What is further remarkable with respect

France ?

Ans. Besides the 'forementioned Provinces, the is the Principality of Lorrain, ceded to France by the Great Duke of Tuscany upon certain Conditions, as is now under Stanislaus King of Poland.

Qu. How is Lorrain fituated?

Ans. It lies between France and Germany, and Time of War this Country is exposed to great Trouble

Qu. In how many Parts is Lorrain divided?

Anf. Into three Parts.—I. Lorrain itself, where is 1. Nancy, the Capital City and Residence of the Dukes of that Name; a well fortified Town. 2. I neville, a fine Country Palace. 3. Vaudemont, a B

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rough and Castle.—II. Into the Dutchy of Barrois, or Bar, wherein is 1. Barleduc, the Capital City, sinuated upon the River Bar.—III. Into three Bishopicks, wherein are, 1. Mez, a large City near the Mosel. 2. Toul, a middling City; and 3. Verdun, a large and well fortified Place.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in France?

Ans. 1. The Rhône, which comes from the Swiss, and falls into the Mediterranean. 2. The Garonne, which has its Source in Languedoc, and empties itself into the main Ocean. 3. The Seine, which flows from Bourgogne through Paris, into the English Channel. And 4. The Loire, which flows from Languedoc, through Orleans into the Ocean.

Qu. What Rivers are in Lorrain?

Ans. 1. Meuse, which has its Source in this County, and flows through it into the Netherlands. The Mosell, which has also its Spring in this County, and empties itself into the Rhine. And 3. The liver Sare, which empties itself into the Mosell.

Qu. What is the State of France in General?

Ans. 1. It is extremely populous. 2. Its Climate is wholesome. 3. It abounds with all Sorts of secondaries. And 4. It lies very convenient for Trade.

Qu. What is the general Character of the People

France ?

Ans. They are for the Generality Civil, Couraous, Laborious, and Lovers of Sciences; Curious their Studies; Temperate in their Food; Pleant, amiable in their Speech; and true and faithful their King.

Qu. How is France governed?

Inf. By the Will of their King; and although it Parliaments pretend to great Privileges, they are present but of little Signification; for the King was plainly that he is absolute, and will be obey'd. Qu. Who is the present King of France?

Ans.

Ans. Lewis XV. who was born the 10th of February in 1710. He was proclaimed King of France and Navarre, September the 1st, 1715, and crown'd the 25th of October, in 1722, N. S.

Qu. What are the Orders of Knighthood in

France?

Ans. 1. The eldest Order is that of St. Michael, 2. The Order of St. Espair, or of the Holy Ghost. And 3. the newest Order is that of St. Lewis.

Qu. What is the established Religion in France?

Ans. The Natives are all in general of the Roman Catholick Persuasion; for such as were Protestants, have been obliged either to turn Papists, or quit that Country. On which Account many thousand Families are settled in England, Holland, and in other Protestant Countries.

Qu. What other Countries belong to the Kings

of France?

Ans. They have, in Europe, some Parts of the Netherlands; and in Alsatia, several Cities and Fortifications. In the East-Indies they have Factories and Settlements, viz. Pontarchy, &c. In Africa they have on the Island of Madagascar the Fort Dauphine. And in America they possess Lewisiana, and New France. But of those more at large, when we come to their proper Places.



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CHAP. XI. OF GREAT BRITAIN.

Qu. WHY is this Country called Britannia?

Anf. Principally, because 1. The Britons were the first Possessions of it. It was a Custom amongst them to stain their Bodies with Sky-blue, in order to appear more formidable to their Enemies. Camden says, it received its Name from thence, the Term Britain, signifying in their Language colouring.

Qu. How came it to be called Great-Britain?

Ans. From King James I. who in 1603, united England and Scotland, and gave these two Kingdoms jointly the Name of Great-Britain. And 2. From Queen Anne, who in her Reign brought these two Kingdoms to a stricter Union.

Qu. How large is England and Scotland together

in Length?

Ans. The Length of both these Kingdoms is computed to be about 560 English Miles.

Qu. What other Appellation has this Country?

Ans. It has long since been distinguish'd from other Countries, by the Name of the British Islands, on Account not only of the many Islands that surround it, but also of the Kingdom of Ireland, which belonging to the Crown of Great-Britain, is parted from it by the Sea.

Qu. How are these Countries divided?

Anf. Into three Kingdoms, viz. England, or South Britain, with Wales, which lies Southwards. 2. Scotland, or North Britain, which lies Northwards. And 3. Ircland, a separate Island lying Westward.

Of ENGLAND.

Qu. T TOW is England bounded?

Ans. It joins to Scotland on the North; from which it was divided by a Wall, at least four-score Miles in Length, some small Remains whereof are still subsisting; on the West with the Irish Sea; on the East with the German Ocean; and on the South with the Channel and Streights of Calais,

Qu. Of what Extent is England separately consi-

dered?

Ans. About 320 Miles long, and near 240 broad

Qu. How is England divided?

Anf. Into two very unequal Parts; namely, 1. The Kingdom of England; and 2. The Principality of Wales, which in ancient Times was known and distinguished by the Name of Cambria.

Qu. By what Name was the Kingdom of England

formerly distinguished?

Ans. In the Time of the Romans it was distinguished by the Name of Britannia, and its Natives

were then known by the Name of Britons.

Qu. By what Means did it lose that ancient Title?

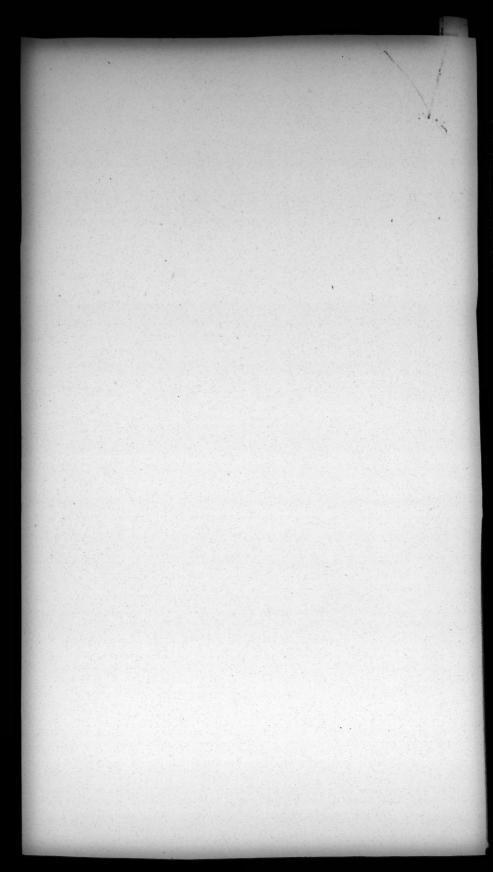
Ans. As those Britons were frequently invaded by their Neighbours the Scots, they called in the Anglo-Saxons to their Assistance, who, indeed, drove out the Scots, but made themselves, at the same Time, Masters of the whole Country, and from thence it received the Name of Anglia, or England.

Qu. How was this Country divided by the Angles?
Ans. Into seven distinct Kingdoms, or Provinces, namely, 1. Kent, 2. Sussex, 3. West-sex, 4. Esex, 5. Northumberland, 6. Mercia, and 7. East Anglia.

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Qu. Are they still separate Kingdoms?

Ans. No; for the their Names are still retain'd, ey were all united in Process of Time, and reuced under one Head.

Qu. How is England at present divided?
Ans. Into several Counties, or Shires.

Qu. What is most remarkable with respect to

Cent?

Ans. 1. That notwithstanding it is distinguished y the Name of a County, it is not like most others all'd a Shire. 2. That it contains 398 Parishes, two lities, and 30 Market Towns.

Qu. Which are the Places of most Note in this

County?

Anf. 1. Canterbury, fituate on the River Stour, which is a well built City, and the See of an Archishop, who is Primate of all England. 2. Rochester, tuate on the River Medway, another City, though ot fo large as the former, and an Episcopal See under Canterbury. 3. Chatham, standing upon the same River, which is of Note for being the Station of the British Vavy. 4. Gravefend, near the River Thames, a small Town and Harbour. 5. Greenwich, a Town of Note, or being the Birth-Place of Queen Elizabeth, and ormerly the Royal Seat for a noble Palace. At preent there is a Royal and Magnificent Hospital for he Accommodation of difabled Seamen; and a deghtful Park. 6. Tunbridge, an inland Town, nuch frequented by Persons of Distinction, on Acount of the Medicinal Waters. 7. Dover, which, o' but a finall Town, is an excellent Harbour. It as formerly call'd the Key of England; it has a rong Castle, and is of Note for being the Station f the Packet-Boat, and a Port greatly frequented y all Passengers to France. 8. About this Coast here is a general Road call'd the Downs, where the hips that come to, and from London, ride at Anchor

chor 'till the Wind favours their further Progress.

Qu. How is Effex now divided?

Ans. Into two Parts; namely, 1. Middlesex, and 2. Essex?

Qu. What is most remarkable in the County of

Middlesex?

Anf. That it is 19 English Miles long, and 16 broad; and that it has 7 Market Towns. The most noted Places in it are, I. London, which is the Capital, and Metropolitan of the whole Kingdom; fituate on the River Thames, and is one of the largest, and most opulent Cities in the World. A full Description of it would require a distinct Volume. We shall only observe therefore, that it has an Episcopal See under the Archbishop of Canterbury: And that in the Western Part, call'd Westminster, is the Palace of St. James, the usual Residence of all the Kings of England. Not far from it is Westminster-Abbey, in which the Kings of Great-Britain are crown'd and buried; the two Parliament Houses; the Treasury, the Admiralty, and Whitehall. At the Eastern Part of London is the Tower, where there are a great many Curiofities expos'd to publick View; fuch as the Mint, the two Armouries, the Regalia, &c. 2. Kenfington, a Royal Palace, about 3 Miles distant from London, with most beautiful Gardens. 3. Hampton-Court, a Stately Royal Palace, about 13 Miles distant from London, with most delightful Gardens.

Qu. What is most observable with respect to the

County of Effex?

Ans. That it is from East to West 40 Miles long, and from North to South 35 Miles broad; that it contains 415 Parishes, and 22 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Colchester, a flourishing Town on Account of the Woollen Manusactory there;

there; and also peculiarly noted for its delicious Oysters. 2. Harwich, a Sea-Port Town and Harbour; of Note for the Packet-Boat that sails from thence for Halland.

Qu. How is Suffex now divided?

Ans. Into two Counties, namely, 1. Sussex, and 2. Surry.

Qu. What is most observable with respect to the

County of Suffex?

Anf. That it has 312 Parishes in it, and 19 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Chichester, an Episcopal See, and a flourishing City. 'Tis encompassed with good Walls, and has 6 Parish Churches in it. 2. Arundel, which, tho' but a small Town, is of Note on Account of its Earls, and its strong Castle. 3. Rye, which is one of the Cinque Ports, and opposite to Dieppe. Most of the Inhabitants are Fishermen by Profession.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in regard to

the County of Surry?

Ans. That it contains 140 Parishes, and 9 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Richmond, where there is a Royal Seat and Gardens, pleasantly situated on a Hill near the River Thames.

2. Lambeth-House, the usual Residence of the Archbishop of Canterbury. 3. Kingston upon Thames, which is a great Market Town, and in which the County-Assizes are generally held. It was formerly a noted Place on Account of the Saxon Kings being crown'd there; from whence it derives the Name of King's-Town.

Qu. How is West-sex now divided?

Ans. Into several Counties, or Shires; namely, 1. Hampshire, 2. Berkshire, 3. Wiltshire, 4. Dorset-shire, 5. Somersetshire, 6. Devonshire, and 7. Cornwall,

Qu. Of what Extent is Hampshire?

Anf. From North to South it is 50 Miles long, and from East to West 30 Miles broad. It has 53 Parishes in it, and 23 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, I Winchester, which is an Epis. capal See, and has a fine Cathedral. It is a City of great Antiquity, and very pleafantly fituated. 2. Southampton, which is the County Town, and has a fine Harbour for Shipping. 3. Portsmouth, which is a famous Sea Port upon the Channel, and a valuable Storehouse for the Royal Navy. 4. Spithead, not far from Portsmouth, which is of Note on Account of the English Fleets assembling there. 5. The Isle of Wight, which is 20 Miles long, and 12 broad. It is a very healthy, pleafant, and plenteous Place; it has 4 Market Towns in it, 4 Castles, and 36 Parishes.

Qu. Of what Extent is Berkshire?

Ans. From East to West it is 40 Miles long, and from North to South 24 Miles broad. It has 140 Parishes in it, and 12 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Reading, which is the County Town. 2. Windsor, which is a Royal Palace, and a good Market Town.

Qu. Of what Extent is Wiltshire?

Ans. From North to South it is 39 Miles long, and from East to West 29 Miles broad. It has 304 Parishes in it, and 21 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Salisbury, which is an Episcopal-See, under the Archbishop of Canterbury. Near this City is the prodigious Plain, whereon stands Stone-Henge, which is one of the Wonders of England.

2. Malmsbury, which is a Market Town, and a Place of good Trade for such as deal in the Woollen Manusactory.

Qu. Of what Extent is Dorsetshire?

Ans. From East to West it is 45 Miles long, and from

om North to South 25 Miles broad. It contains 48 Parishes, and 18 Market Towns. The Places of 10st Note are, 1. Dorchester, the principal Town, which has three High Streets, and as many Parishes. The Maiden-Castle stands about 300 Paces from the Town. 2. Weymouth, a Town and Harbour. Portland, which lies 3 Miles distant from Weymouth. It is a Peninsula, about 7 Miles in Circumstence, and almost surrounded with Rocks. Portland Castle is the only Landing Place. This Town fords the best Stone Quarries for Building of any proughout all England.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Somerset?

Ans. From East to West it is 55 Miles long, and om North to South 42 Miles broad. It contains 85 Parishes, and 36 Market Towns. The Places smost Note are, 1. Bristol, which is a large and pulent City; the River Avon runs through the sliddle of it; over which is a Stone Bridge. It is an piscopal See under the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Bath, which is famous for its Medicinal Waters, and Hot Baths; the City indeed is but small, and as, besides the Cathedral, but one Parish Church.

Wells, which lies about 15 Miles distant from lath. These two Places have but one Episcopal See, ander the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Devon?

Anf. It bears a Square of 50 Miles, and contains 94 Parishes, and 39 Market Towns. The Places most Note are, 1. Exeter, which is a large, well-wilt City, and an Episcopal See, consisting of 15 arishes, and a Place of great Trade, particularly of the Woollen Manufactory. 2. Plymouth, which som a Village of Fishermen only, is become one of the most flourishing Cities in all England. It has a meHaven, strongly fenc'd by a Fort, on St. Nicholas's le. It is one of the principal Magazines of the British

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British Kingdom, and a Place of great Important not only to the Crown, but to the Merchants England. Opposite to the Haven, the Sea forms

finall Bay, which is call'd Torbay.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Cornwal?

Ans. From East to West it is 60 Miles long, an 4 Miles over, where it is broadest; it is the further County in the West of England. It contains to Parishes, and 24 Market Towns. The Places in of most Note are, 1. Falmouth, which is a fine Hambour and a Fortification. 2. Lands-End, which the most Western Part of England. 3. Opposite thereto, are the Islands of Scilly, amongst which that of St. Mary is the principal.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in regard

East-Anglia?

Ans. That it is now divided into three Counties or Shires; namely, Cambridgesbire, Norfolk, an Suffolk.

Qu. Of what Extent is Cambridgeshire?

Ans. From North to South it is 35 Miles long and from East to West about 20 Miles broad. It is 163 Parishes in it, and 18 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Cambridge, which is famous University, consisting of 12 Colleges, at 4 Halls. The Town contains 14 Parishes. 2. Elywhich is formed into an Island by the River Out The City of Ely is an Episcopal See under the Arch bishop of Canterbury.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Norfolk?

Anf. From East to West it is about 30 Millong, and from North to South near 30 Miles broad It contains 660 Parishes, and 31 Market Town The Places in it of most Note are, 1. Norwick which is a large and well built City, and an Episopal See under the Archbishop of Canterbury; and Place of great Trade, especially in the Weavi

Vay: 2. Yarmouth, which though but a finall own, is a fine Harbour.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Suffolk?

Ans. From East to West it is about 45 Miles

ng, and from North to South near 20 Miles over.

contains 575 Parishes, and 32 Market Towns.

he Places of most Note arc, 1. Ipswich, which is

e principal Town, and a Place of great Antiquity.

contains 12 Parish Churches, is a very populous

own, and carries on a large Trade in the Woolsen

d Linnen Manusactory.

Qu. How is the Kingdom of Mercia now divided?
Ans. Into 19 small Counties, or Shires, namely,
Buckinghamshire, 2. Hertfordshire, 3. Bedfordre, 4. Huntingdonshire, 5. Northamptonshire, 6. Oxdshire, 7. Gloucestershire, 8. Monmouthshire, 9. Hefordshire, 10. Worcestershire, 11. Warwickshire,
Leicestershire, 13. Rutlandshire, 14. Lincolnshire,
Nottinghamshire, 16. Derbyshire, 17. Staffordre, 18. Shropshire, and 19. Cheshire.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Bucking-

Ans. From South to North it is 40 Miles long, if from East to West it is scarce 18 Miles broad. principal Town is Buckingham.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Hertford?

Ans. From North to South it is about 40 Miles g, and from East to West about 18 Miles broad.

has 185 Parishes in it, and 15 Market Towns;

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Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Bedford?

Inf. From North to South it is about 24 Miles in and from East to West 13 Miles broad. There 16 Parishes in it, and 10 Market Towns; the cipal whereof is that of Bedford.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Huntingdon?

In Not 20 Miles in Length. It contains 79

Parishes

Parishes and 6 Market Towns; the Principal where of is Huntingdon.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Northams

ton?

Ans. About 40 Miles long, and 20 broad. It has in it 326 Parishes and 12 Market Towns. The Places of most Note, are, 1. Northampton, the Count Town; 2. Peterborough, which is a fine City and a Episcopal See, under the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Oxford? Ans. From North to South it is about 40 Mil long, and from East to West near 26 Miles broa The Places of most Note are, 1. Oxford, in which is erected the most famous University in England. is likewise an Episcopal See under the Archbishop Canterbury. As to the City itself, it has nothing e traordinary to recommend it; the Colleges, however are very grand and magnificent, and excel all t Academies in Europe: The Number of them amou to 18; and there are 7 Halls likewise, set apart the same Purposes. 2. Woodstock, near which ist famous Blenheim-House, which was erected there Commemoration of the fignal Victory obtained that brave General the Duke of MARLBOROUG over the French near Blenheim in Germany.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Gloucester Ans. From North to South it is 48 Miles long, a from East to West 28 Miles over. It contains 2 Parishes and 30 Market Towns. The Place most Note in it is Gloucester, which is a fine Cland and Episcopal See, under the Archbishop of Cland

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Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Monmout Ans. From North to South it is 24 Miles lo and from East to West about 18 Miles broad. contains 127 Parishes and 8 Market Town amongst which, that of Monmouth is the Princip

the antient Glory whereof, we may form fome dequate Idea from the Ruins which are still remain-. Of what Exercis is the Country of Line .g

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Hereford? Ans. From North to South it is 30 Miles long, nd from East to West 20 Miles over. It has 176 arishes in it, and 8 Market Towns. The Place most Note therein is Hereford, a fine City, and Episcopal See, under Canterbury.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Worcester? Ans. From North to South it is 32 Miles long. d from East to West 22 Miles over. It has 152 rishes in it, and II Market Towns. The Place most Note in it, is the City of Worcester, which an Episcopal See under the Archbishop of Canter-

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Warwick? Anf. From North to South it is 33 Miles long, from East to West 25 Miles broad. It has 158 rifles in it, and 18 Market Towns. The Places most Note are, I. Warwick, famous for its Castle. ich is a stately Structure; as also in high Repute Account of that puissant Hero, Guy, Earl of arwick. 2. Coventry, a fine City, situate on the ver Sherbourn; it is well built, and a Place of at Trade. Formerly it was an independent Epifal See, and not joined to that of Litchfield.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Leicester? Inf. From North to South it is 33 Miles long, from East to West 27 Miles broad. It contains Parishes and 13 Market Towns. The principal ce of Note is Leicester, which confists of 3 Pa-

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Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Rutland? Inf. The smallest of all the Shires in England; whole Circumference is not above 40 Miles. It only 49 Parishes in it, and 2 Market Towns; D 2

namely, Okeham, which is the County Town, and Uppingham, good of the county Town, and

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Lincoln?

Ans. From North to South it is 55 Miles long

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Whole 630 Parishes and 34 Market Towns: Lincoln is the most noted Place, an Episcopal See, and a very antient City.

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Ans. From North to South it is 38 Miles long and from East to West 20 Miles broad.

Qu. How is it divided from Lincolnshire?

Ans. By the River Trent.

Qu. How many Parishes and Market Towns and there in it?

Ans. It contains 168 Parishes and 10 Marke Towns. The Place of most Note is Nottingham, which is looked upon as one of the compleated Towns in all England, and peculiarly remarkable for its Castle: As a very considerable Part of it is cut one Rock, it has not a Rival, or any Fortification in the British Dominions equal to it.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Derby?

Ans. From North to South it is 38 Miles long and from East to West 28 Miles over. It contain 106 Parishes and 10 Market Towns. The Place of most Note is Derby, situate on the River Derwind over which is crected a fine Bridge, all of Free-stone with a Chappel upon it.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Stafford?

Anf. From North to South it is about 40 Mile
long, and from East to West 26 Miles over. It is
130 Parishes in it, and 19 Market Towns.

which

which, 1. Stafford is the County Town; and 2. Litchfield, is a City and an Episcopal See: The Cathedral is a curious Structure, and a great Addition to the Honour of the Place.

Qu. Of what-Extent is Shropshire?

Ans. From North to South it is 34 Miles long, and from East to West 25 Miles over. It borders upon Wales, contains in it 170 Parishes, and has 16 Market Towns. The Place of most Note is Shrewsbury, which is almost encompassed by the River Severn, and for the Beauty and Regularity of its Buildings, is very little inferior to any of the Cities in England. It is surrounded likewise by a strong Wall, and has an antient Castle for its Bulwark and Defence.

Qu. Of what Extent is Cheshire?

Ans. From East to West it is about 45 Miles long, and from North to South 25 over. It contains 86 Parishes, and 14 Market Towns. The Place of most Note is Chester, which is an Episcopal See under the Archbishop of York. It has a strong Wall, fortised with seven Watch Towers.

Qu. How many Counties, or Shires, are con-

ained in the Province of Northumberland?

Ans. Six; namely, Yorkshire, 2. Lancashire, 3. Cumberland, 4. Westmorland, 5. Durham, and 5. Northumberland.

Qu. Of what Extent is Yorkshire?

Anf. It is the largest County in all England, exending to a Square of sourscore Miles. It contains 63 Parishes, besides Chapels of Ease, and 46 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. York, which is generally looked upon as the second City in all England. It is an Archbishop's See. The Streets re large and beautiful, and the Cathedral there is a lately Structure. 2. Hull, or Kingston upon Hull, which is a large Town, notwithstanding there are D 2

but two Parishes in it. There is a Key and Custom-House. The Buildings are very regular and beautiful, and there are no Fortifications in England that are stronger. 3. Richmond, on the River Swale, is a Town well built, and much frequented by Persons of Distinction. From this Town and Shire the Duke of Richmond receives his Title.

Ans. Of what Extent is the County of Lancasters Ans. From North to South it is 55 Miles long and from East to West 31 Miles broad. It is a large Maritime County, and joins Eastwards to Yorkshira. It has 60 Parishes in it, and 25 Market Towns. The Place of most Note is, Lancaster, in which there is a fine Castle, notwithstanding it is but a small one.

Qu. Of what Extent is Cumberland?

Anf. From North to South it is 45 Miles long and from East to West about 30 broad. This is the farthest County in England, and borders on Scotland. It contains in it 58 Parishes and 16 Market Towns. The Place of most Note is, Carlise, which is situated on the River Eden. It is an Episcopal See, under the Archbishop of York.

Qu. Of what Extent is Westmorland?

Ans. From North to South it is 30 Miles long and from East to West 24 Miles broad. It joins East wards to Cumberland, contains 26 Parishes and Market Towns, whereof Appleby is the principal.

Qu. Of what Extent is Durham?

Ans. It is of a triangular Form, and each Angle about 23 Miles. It is a Northern Maritime County and is called likewise the Bishoprick of Durham. contains in it 118 Parishes, and 7 Market Town The City of Durham is a very antient one; it is a Episcopal See, under the Archbishop of York. The Cathedral there is very beautiful.

Qu. Of what Extent is Northumberland?

Ans. From North to South it is 50 Miles long, and from East to West about 40 Miles broad. It is Maritime County, bordering North on Scotland. It has 460 Parishes in it, and 6 Market Towns. The Places of most Note are, 1. Berwick, a Sea-Port, on the Confines of Scotland, and situate on the Tweed. It is a strong Place, and the principal Key to Scotland; and 2. Newcastle upon Tine, which stands on Hill of an easy Ascent. This City is surrounded with a Wall, and has a Castle, but in a very ruinous Condition. Every Thing is very plentiful there, as the Place is encompassed with Coal-Pits, and there is a navigable River, from whence they can convey them to what distant Markets they see most convenient.

CHAP. XIII.

Of the Principality of WALES.

HAT is most observable with respect to this Principality?

Ans. 1. That it was once a Kingdom, and known, or distinguished, by the Name of Cambria; and 2. That the Inhabitants are the Offspring of the antient Britons, and retain their Language to this Day.

Qu. Of what Extent is this Principality?

Ans. It is 120 Miles long, and 80 Miles broad. Qu. Who bears the Title of this Principality?

Anf. The eldest Son and Heir apparent to the crown of Great-Britain, who is always stiled the rince of Wales.

Qu. How is this Principality divided?

Ans. Into North and South-Wales.

Qu. How is North-Wales subdivided?

Anf. Into Six Counties or Shires; namely, Montgomeryshire, 2. Merionethshire, 3. Caernary Shire, 4. Deubighshire, 5. Flintshire, and 6. Tu Islands in the Irish Sea.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Monte

mery ?

Anf. It is 30 Miles long, and about 22 Mil broad. It has 47 Parishes in it, and 6 Market Town Tho' it be a very mountainous Country, yet the Vallies along the River Severn are very delightful The Places of most Note are, 1. Montgomery, which has the Privilege of fending a Member of Parli ment, and 2. Machenlet, which is the County Town

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Merioneth Anf. From North to South it is 36 Miles lon

and from East to West 28 Miles broad. It is a M ritime County, has 37 Parishes in it, and 3 Mark The Hills in this Part of Wales are fover high, that it requires a Day's Journey to reach the Summits of feveral of them.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Care

narvon?

Ans. It is about 40 Miles long, and near 20 ove It is a Maritime County, has in it 68 Parishes as 5 Market Towns, whereof I. Caernarvon is the Principal; 2. Banger, which is an Episcopal Se under the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Denbight

Anf. It is about 30 Miles long, and near Miles broad. It is a Maritime County, has 57 P rishes in it, and 4 Market Towns; the Princip

whereof is Denbigh.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Flint?

Ans. About 24 Miles long, and near 8 Mil broad. It has 21 Parishes and 2 Market Town whereof, 1. Flint is the County Town; and 2. Asaph, which is a Bishop's See, under the Archi thop of Canterbury.

Qu. What are the Names of the two Islands in e Trifh Sea Zarvio

Ans. One is called Anglesey, and the other the

the of Man

Qu. Of what Extent is the Island of Anglesey?

Ans. It is about 20 Miles long, and 17 broad. It 18 74 Parishes in it, and 2 Market Towns.

Qu. How is it divided from Caernar vonsbire? Ans. By a narrow Streight about 2 Miles over.

Qu. Of what Extent is the Ille of Man?

Ans. It is about 30 Miles long, and near 10 like broad. It contains 17 Parishes and 5 Market owns.

Qu. What is most observable with respect to this and?

Ans. That it was taken from the Scots by an old arl of Salisbury, who afterwards enjoyed it with e Title of King of Man.

Qu. How is South-Wales fubdivided?

Ans. Into Six Counties, namely, 1. Glamorganire, 2. Brecknockshire, 3. Caermarthenshire, 4. Pem-okeshire, 5. Cardiganshire, and 6. Radnorshire.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Glamor-

Ans. It is 4 Miles long, and 20 broad. It has 18 miles in it, and 11 Market Towns. The Place most Note is Landaff, which is an Episcopal See

der the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Brecknock? Ans. It is about 30 Miles in Length, and near in Breadth. It has 61 Parishes in it, and 4 Mar-Towns; amongst which, Brecknock is the Prinal. This Place is walled round, and has a Castle. onging to it.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Caerman-

which is a Bittop's See and the

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Anf. About 35 Miles long, and 30 broad. It has 87 Parishes in it, and 8 Market Towns. The Place of most Note is Cuermarthen; which was the Birth Place of that celebrated British Enchanter Merlin.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Pembrok!

Anf. It is about 26 Miles long, and near 20 broad. It has 145 Parishes in it, 8 Market Towns and 16 Castles. The Places of most Note are 1. Pembroke, 2. Milford-Haven; which is looked upon as the best in England, having 13 Roads, 11 Creeks, and 5 Bays. 3. St. David's, which is City, and an Episcopal See, under the Archbisho of Canterbury.

2a. Of what Extent is the County of Cardigan?

Ans. About 32 Miles long, and 15 broad. It is
64 Parishes in it, and 4 Market Towns: The

Principal whereof is Cardigan.

Qu. Of what Extent is the County of Radnor?
Ans. It is about 90 Miles in Circumference.

Qu. What is the State and Condition of England

in general?

Anf. England is a Country of a temperate Air, the Soil produces Plenty of Grain and Fruit; but litted Wine and Oil, with which it is supplied from oth Countries: As for Beer, there is no where so go in all the Northern Countries. It abounds with Catle, Game, Fish, &c. and, in short, is bless'd with the real Necessaries of Life.

Qu. What is the Character of the English?

Ans. They are curious, inquisitive, of a qui and penetrating Wit, and eager of Knowled They are of a solid Judgment; brave, being be good Soldiers and Seamen. Of a ready Genius mechanical Arts, and Improvers of whatever thundertake.

Qu. What is the establish'd Religion in Englan

Parties: The one is the Church of England, as by Law established, and the Members thereof are diffinguished by the Name of Church-Men: The other Party, who assemble in Meeting-Houses, for the Performance of Divine Worthip, are distinguished by the Name of Dissenters.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in England?

Ans. 1. The Thames, 2. the Severn, 3. the Ouse,

4. the Medway, 5. the Trent, and 6, the Humber,

which last is rather an Arm of the Sea, into which

several Rivers empty themselves; and others of lesser.

Note, too many to be here enumerated.

Qu. What are the Orders of Knighthood in Eng-

Ans. There are two; 1. The Knights of the Bath, infl created by King Henry IV. 1399. 2. The Knights of the Garter, which is the chief Order of England; tegan 1350, being founded by King Edward III.

CHAP. XIII. Of SCOTLAND

Ans. It is divided from England by the liver Tweed Southwards. It has the German Ocean at the Cast; the Irish Sea, and the Western Isles at the Cast; and the Deucaledonian Sea, with the mades, on the Bouth.

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Qu. How large is Scotland?

Inf. As for the Dimensions of the Kingdom in the large in the Western Sea about 300) it is not much than England, and according to modern Geo
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graphers about 315 Miles long, but not above 190 broad.

Qu. How is Scotland divided?

Ans. The whole Kingdom is divided by the River Tay, into the South and North Parts; the South Part whereof is most populous and civilized, and better cultivated than the North Part; the latter still retaining the Customs and Manners of the antient Irish.

Qu. By what Names are the Territories or Coun-

ties, in the South of Scotland diffinguished?

Anf. 1. Tiviotdale, 2. March, 3. Lauderdale, 4. Liddesdale, 5. Eshedale, 6. Annandale, 7. Niddesdale, 8. Galloway, 9. Carrick, 10. Kyle, 11. Cunningham, 12. Arran, 13. Clydesdale, 14. Lennox, 15. Stirling, 16. Fife, 17. Strathern, 18. Menteith, 19. Argyle, 20. Cantire, and 21. Lorne.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the South Part

of Scotland?

Ans. 1. Edinburgh, the Capital City of the whole Kingdom, where there is an University and a strong Castle. 2. St. Andrews, near the North Sea, which has a good Harbour, University, and Archbishoprick. 3. Glasgow, famous for its University, and its pleasant Situation.

Qu. What is most observable in the North of Scotland?

Anf. In it are 13 Counties; the Capital City is

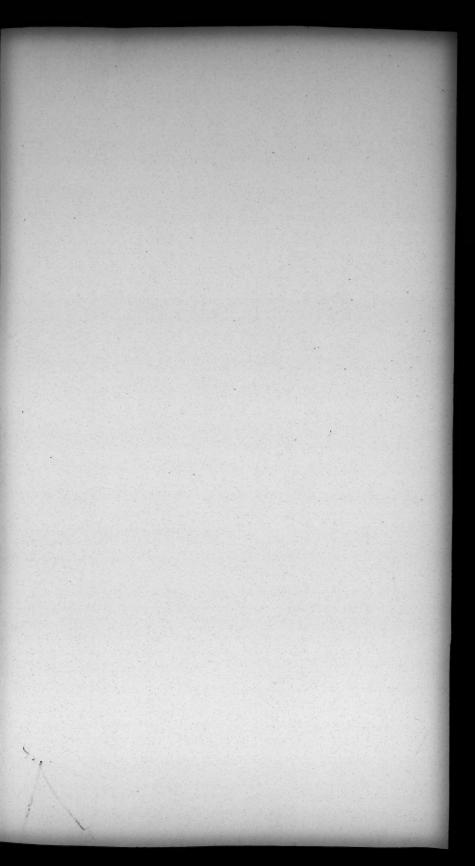
Qu. What are the different Names of the Counties in the North Part of Scotland?

Ans. 1. Lochabar, 2. Broadalbain, 3. Perth, 4. Athol, 5. Angus, 6. Merns, 7. Mar, 8. Buchan, 9. Murrey, 10. Ross, 11. Sutherland, 12. Cairthness, and 12. Strathnavern.

These are again subdivided into Sherisdoms, Stewardships, and Bailiwicks, which are inherited for the

most Part, by noble, and antient Families.

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Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Scotland?

Anf. The Tweed, Clyde, Tay, and Spay, all naigable; besides many Lakes, of which Lomund and
Ne/s are the most remarkable; in Lomund is said to
be a floating Island, which is driven to and fro by
the Wind, and has good Pasture, but nevertheless
tis found to be a fabulous Story. There are innunerable Creeks and Bays, which afford many safe
Harbours, convenient for Trade and Fishing.

Qu. Which are the most noted Harbours about

Scotland ?

Ans. 1. Leith, 2. St. Andrews, 2. Dundee, and . Montross.

Qu. What is the State of Scotland in general?

Anf. Although it be not so fruitful as England, yet it abounds with Corn, Cattle, Fowl, Fish, Wood, Coals, Salt, Rivers, Fountains, and all Things not only necessary for the Use of the Inhabitants, but sufficient to drive a considerable Trade with other Nations; there being yearly exported vast Quantities of Fish, Corn, Coals, Hides, Tallow, and coarse Cloth. There are Lead and Iron Mines in Abundance, and, as some affirm, there are Gold and Silver Mines amongst them. The Air is sharper, but more pure than that in England.

Qu. What is the general Character of the Scots?

Ans. They have sufficiently shewn their Valour in the World, sparticularly by their Behaviour in truggling for their Liberties. The Nobility and Gentry of Scotland are great Lovers of Learning, they frequent not only their own Universities, but also those of England, France, and other Countries. The Men in General are well made, and of a robust

hale Constitution.

Qu. What Religion prevails in Scotland?

Ans. All profess themselves Protestants. They are divided, however, as they are in England, with this

this Difference, that those who differt from the Church of England, and are called Prefbyterian, are in much greater Number than the Churchmen: so that Presbyterianism is the established Religion of the Country. There are, however, two Arch. bishops, the Archbishop of St. Andrews, Primate and Metropolitan of all Scotland; and the Archbishop of Glafgow, who is also Metropolitan; under the former are eight, and under the latter are four Bishops.

Qu. What is further remarkable in Scotland?
Anf. Their Historians boast of many natural Rarities, among others: Of some Geese that breed in Logs of Wood floating on the Sea; and of others, which hatch their Eggs with one Foot, and have a fifty Taste. Of the Lake Lowmond, in which are Fish without Fins, very pleasant to eat; of the peculiar Quality of its Water, which turns Timber into Stone. Of the floating Island in a Lake, which is in a conftant Ebulition, be the Air ever so calm. Of a Cave in the County of Buchan, from the Roof of which drops Water, which petrifies into Pyramids that are of a middle Nature, betwixt Stone and Ice. There are no Rats to be met with in Sutherland; and whenever any are brought there from other Places, they will inftantly die.

Qu. What Form of Government is there in Scot-

land?

Anf. Before the Union, which was established in Queen's Anne's Reign, their Government was supported, like that of England, by King and Parliament, which was called together at Edinburgh; at present they are limited to 16 Peers, and to 45 Commoners, to fit in the British Parliament at Westminster, according to the Union Act, which subjects both Kingdoms to the fame Government.

Qu. Which are the Scotiff Islands?

Ans. 1. The Isles of Orkney, which lay Northwards, are 28 in Number; Pomane the best, and has a Bishop's See. 2. The Isles of Schetland, 68 in Number; not very fruitful. 3. The Western Isles are 16 in Number, but of no great Importance.

Qu. What is the Scotist Order of Knighthood?

Anf. It is that of St. Andrew, instituted by Achaius
King of Scotland. The Collar, at which hangs the
Image of that Saint, imitates Thistles and Rue; denoting that the one is not touched without Hurt,
and the other is an Antidote against Poison.

CHAP. XIV.

Of the Kingdom of IRELAND.

Qu. ROM whence did Ireland receive its

Ans. Amongst many other Conjectures of antient and modern Authors, it seems most probable, that it was so called from the Word Hiere, which in the Irish Language signifies West, or Western Coast, because this Country lies farther Westwards than any Country in Europe.

Qu. What is the Extent of Ireland?

Ans. It is a pretty large Hland; in Length near 300 English Miles, and in many Parts it is in Breadth about 120.

Qu. How is Ireland fituated?

Ans. Castward, it is opposite to England; Mestmard, to the Irish Seas; Southward, to the Atlanic Ocean; and Mosthward, to the Scotish Sea.

Qu. How is this Kingdom divided?

Ans. Into four Capital Provinces, viz. 1. Munfer, 2. Leinster, 3. Connaught, and 4. Ulster. Qu. How is Munster divided?

Anf. Into Six Counties, viz. 1. Kerry, 2. Cork, 3. Waterford, 4. Tipperary, 5. Limerick, and 6. Clare.

Qu. How is Leinster divided?

Anf. Into Twelve Counties, viz. 1. East-Meath, 2. West-Meath, 3. Louth, 4. Longford, 5. King's County, 6. Queen's County, 7. Catherlough, 8. Kilhenny, 9. Kildare, 10. Wexford, 11. Wicklow, and 12. Dublin.

Qu. How is the Division of Conaught?

Ans. Into Five Counties, viz. 1. Sligo, 2. Leitrim, 3. Roscommon, 4. Galway, and 5. Mayo.

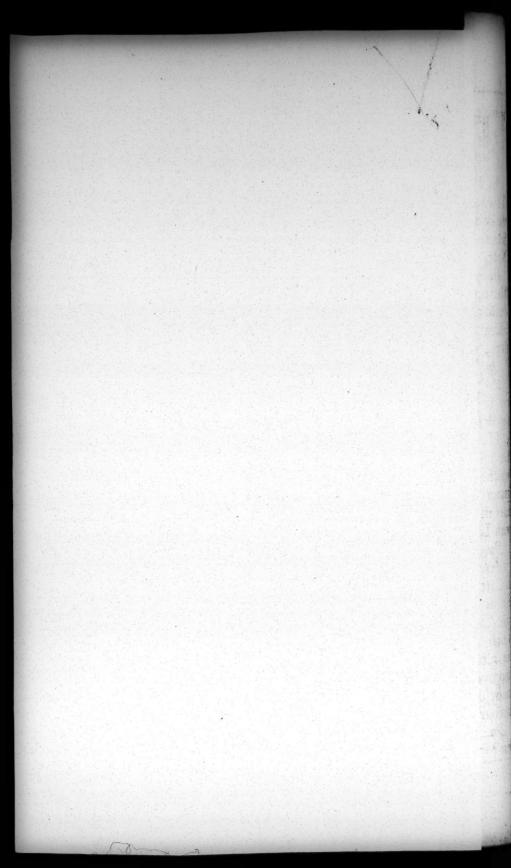
Qu. How is Ulfter divided?

Anf. Into Nine Counties, viz. 1. Antrim, 2. Down, 3. Ardmagh, 4. Londonderry, 5. Cavan, 6. Donnegall, 7. Fermenagh, 8. Tyrone, and 9. Monoghan.

Qu. How many Cities are there in the Kingdom! Ans. Seven; whereof in Munster are Four, viz. 1. Cashel, in the County of Tipperary, an Archbishoprick and walled Town, noted for the great Rock, called St. Patrick's Rock, whereon stands the Cathedral, to which there is Access only by one narrow Foot-way, hewn on the Side of the Rock, which is walled in, and is a ftrong Place of Defence. 2. Cork, a large City and noted Harbour; on the South-Coast, is a Bishop's See likewise. 3. Limerick, another Sea Port on the West Coast, strongly fortified by Art and Nature; that Part called the English Town, being encompassed by the River Shannon; this is likewise a Bishop's See. 4. Waterford, a fine Harbour and Bishop's See. In Leinster, are two Cities, viz. 1. Dublin, the Metropolis of the Kingdom, a large Sea Port and of great Trade, has a University, and is an Archbishoprick. 2. Kilkenny, an inland Town, finely fituated on the River Nuore, is a Bishop's See, under the Title of Leighlin and Ferns. This City is remarkable for its enjoying the four

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Fire without Smoak, and Earth without Bog, Water without Mud, and Air without Fog.

In Ulster is one City, viz. Londonderry, a strong wn, famous for its holding out a long Siege against late King James's Army in the Irish Wars. Bes these Cities, there are a great many Towns of te, both on the Coasts and Inland.

In Ulster is likewise the Town of Ardmagh, the etropolitan, Archbishoprick, and Primacy of all land; and in Connaught, is Tuam, another Archhoprick, and under these four are eighteen Bi-

ps, who prefide over the inferior Clergy.

Ou. Which are the most noted Rivers in Ireland? Ans. 1. The Shannon, which is the principal Riin the whole Country, and empties itself into Western Ocean. 2. The Barrow. 3. The Sewer. The Boyne, which flows by Drogheda, and empitself into the Irish Sea. And 5. The Nuor, ch last, with the Sewer and Barrow, all join toher near Waterford, and fall into the Sea, bes many other small Rivers. The Country abounds h Lakes or Loughs.

Qu. What is the State of this Country in general? Inf. The Commodities of Ireland confift chiefly Cattle; the Air is mild, but moift and foggy; the is not very proper for Corn, it being always r, and never ripens to Perfection. The Pasture ich in some, and but indifférent in other Places, altogether it is a fine Country, and capable of provements; and the People are free from being oy'd by any venomous Creatures, fince none ever

bour or breed there.

Qu. What Character do the Natives of Ireland

Ans. A certain Author gives the following Defcription of them; "The Irish (says he) are a strong "and bold People, martial and prodigal in War, "nimble, stout, and hearty of Heart; careless of Life, but greedy of Glory; courteous to Strangers, constant in Love, light of Belief, impatient of Injury, given to Lasciviousness, and in Enmity implacable." But as most Writers treat partially in their Characters of Countries, according as they stand affected towards them, there is no relying on the bare Report of a single Author in such Cases, especially when he conceals his Name.

Qu. What is the established Religion in Ireland?
Ans. The greatest Part of the Natives are Roman Catholicks; but as the Laws have been put in Execution for establishing the Church of England in that Kingdom, it has already, and will in Time lessent the Number of the Papists, and increase that of the

Protestants.

Qu. How is Ireland governed?

Ans. That Kingdom belongs to the Crown of Great-Britain, and is governed by a Lord Lieutenant, who acts in the Name, and by the Authority of the King.

Qu. What other Countries besides belong to the

Crown of Great-Britain?

Ans. In Europe, the Isle of Man, Fersey, Guern fey, Gibraltar, Portmahon, Minorca, and formerly Majorca. Tho' with regard to the Isle of Man, I has, Time out of Mind, been an hereditary Royalty, or Principality, in the Stanley Family, Earls of Derby, and is now descended, by Marriage, to his Grace the Duke of Athol, a Peer of North-Britain.

In Asia, several small Islands, besides the Settlements and Factories in India, viz. Bengall, For

St. George, &c.

In Africa, some Part of Guinea, also the Islan

1. Helena, now enjoyed by the East-India Com-

any.
In America, Carolina, Georgia, Jamaica, Virginia, Vew-England, New-York, New-Jersey, Pensilvania, Maryland, and several of the Caribee Islands, as Integoa, Barbadoes, Nevis, Bermudas, St. Christobers, &c.

Qu. Who is the present King of Great-Britain?

Ans. George II. who was born October the oth, 1683. His Succession to the Throne, was the 1th of June, 1727. Whom God long preserve.

CHAP. XV.

Of the NETHERLANDS.

HAT Countries are the Netherlands?

Ans. They are those which lie in a arrow Tract along the Coast opposite to England?

Qu. How is this Country bounded?

Ans. Mestwards on the North Sea, Castwards on ermany, in particular East Friezland, Munster, leve, Juliers, and Triers; Southwards it borders on rance, particularly Picardy, Champaign, and Lorain. Qu. How large are the Netherlands?

Ans. Along the Coast of the North Sea about 240 liles long; the Breadth is in the widest Place not

ove 160 Miles.

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Qu. How is this Country divided?

Anf. In King Charles V. Time, this Country was nited to the Empire of Germany, under the Title the Circle of Burgundy; and the whole confifted 17 Provinces. After his Death they descended to s Son Philip II. King of Spain; but he endeaduring to deprive the Natives of their Liberties and tivileges, they revolted, and after 70 Years bloody

War, he was at last obliged to part with Seven of the Provinces; and by the Peace of Westphalia and declare them a free People; so that this Country was divided into the Spanish Netherlands and the Unite Netherlands.

In 1700, at the Death of Charles II. King Spain, the Spanish Netherlands fell to the House Austria; and the Division now may more proper be called, 1. The Ten Provinces of the Austrian Natherlands, and 2. The Seven Provinces of the Unit Netherlands.

Of the Austrian NETHERLANDS.

- Qu. Which are the 10 Provinces of the Austria Netherlands?

Anf. 1. Artois, a County adjoining to Piccard

2. Flanders, a County near the North Seas.
3. Haynault, a County towards Champaign.

4. Namur, a County near the Maes.

5. The Dutchy of Luxemburg, on the Mosel.

6. The Dutchy of Gelder, on the Maes.
7. The Dutchy of Limburg, which borders

Germany.

8 The Dutchy of Bushant between the

8. The Dutchy of Brabant, between the M

and Scheld.

o. The Marquisate of Antwerp, on the Schell And 10. The Lordship of Mechlen.

I. Of ARTOIS.

Qu. What is most remarkable in relation to

County of Artois?

Ans. That it intirely belongs to the Crow France, wherein are 12 Cities, 28 Abbies, and Villages: The principal Cities are,

1. Arras, the Capital City, which has a fine Ca-

2. St. Omer, a City, that has a Cathedral, and well fortified.

3. Aire, or Arien, a fine Fortification.

Bethune, an important Fortification; the lies took it in 1710, and the French retook it in 12.

II. Of FLANDER'S.

On. What is Flanders principally noted for?
Ans. For its several Divisions, 1. Into French Flans, 2. Into Imperial Flanders, and 3. Into Dutch unders.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in French

Ans. Life, the Capital, which is a large, rich, fine City. It was befreged and taken by the Duke Marlborough, in 1708; but by the Peace of wht in 1713, it was restored again to the French. Armentiers. 3. Doway, a large and important tification: It was in 1710 taken by the Allies, in 1712 retaken by the French. 4. St. Amant, Mortagne. 6. Marchienne. 7. Mont-Cassel, a plea-City on a Hill, from which in clear Weather, may have a Prospect of 30 Cities, and 400 ages. 8. Dunkirk, an important Place, which ame subject to the English under Cromwell in 1658. 1662 the English fold it again, to the Surprise of be World, to France, for nine Millions of Livres. me imploy'd 30,000 Men, to make it the finest bour, and Fortification in Europe; but by the te of Utrecht, it was demolished. 9. Mardyck. Miles from Oftend, which was formerly a Harbour; but the late King of France, haemployed 30,000 Men in making a new Chanel,

nel, the English obliged the Duke of Orleans, after the King's Death, to level the Ground as it was before:

Qu. Which are the principal Places in the Imp.

rial Flanders?

Ans. 1. Ghent, which came by Stratagem in 1708, into the Possession of France; but the Duke of Marlborough retook it in 1709. This is a very large City.

2. Bruges, a fortified and rich trading City.
3. Oftend, a fine Fortification, and Harbour.

4. Neuport, a Fortification.

5. Ypern, or Ypres, a strong Fortification. This is a Barrier Town, and the Dutch keep a Garrien constantly in it.

6. Menin, a small, but an extraordinary Fortif-

cation on the River Lys.

7. Tournay, a large trading City, that has a Ca-

thedral, and a Bishop's See.

- 8. Oudenarde, a well fortified City. In 1708, the French were beaten near this Place by the Duke of Marlborough, who took in that Battle 5000 Profoners.
- 9. Dendermonde, a strong Fortification. One half of the Garrison consists of Germans, and the other, according to the Barrier Treaty, of Dutch Soldiers.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Dutch

Flanders ?

Ans. 1. Sluys, a middling City and Harbour for fmall Veffels.

2. Fort Isabella.

3. Ardenburg, a City and Fort.

4. Oostburgh, a strong Fort.

5. Bierflied, a small Fort. Here lived William Beuckeling, who first taught the Dutch how to pickle Herrings: He died there in 1397.

6. Furnes, a small City and Fort.

7. Sas van Ghent, a small, but well fortified City. re is a fine Arsenal, out of which, for the Siege Lisle, they surnished an Artillery of 12 Miles ig, drawn by 36,000 Horse, and escorted by 1000 Men.

8. Hulft, a Fortification.

III. Of the Province of HAYNAULT.

Qu. Which are the Principal Places in this Proce?

Anf. In the French Haynault are,

I. Valenciennes, a large, fine, and strong City, on the River Scheld.

2. Conde, a strong Fortification on the Scheld.

3. Charlement, a strong Fortification on the Maes.

4. Givet, a new Fortification near Charlemont.

6. Cambray, a Fortification, and an Archbishop's

In that Part which belongs to the Emperor, are ncipally,

. Mons, the Capital City, and Fortification,

en by the Allies in the Year 1709.

2. Aeth, a small, but well fortified Town.

IV. Of the Province of NAMUR.

Qu. Which are the most noted Places in the Pro-

Inf. 1. Namur, the Capital City, and a strong tification, one of the Barrier Towns.

. Charleroy, a New Fortification.

Flérus, a Village and Abbey, famous for the le near this Place, in the Year 1690.

V. Of the Dutchy of LUXEMBURG.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in the Dutch of Luxemburg?

Anf. This Country is divided between the Enperor and the King of France.

In the Emperor's Part are,

1. Luxemburg, the Capital City of the who

Country, which is well fortified.

2. Bastagne, a City in the midst of the Country It is very populous, on Account of its pleasant tuation.

3. Neuf-Chatel, a small City, famous for

Fairs kept there.

4. St. Veil, a finall, but pleasant City, and 5. Vianden, a finall City, both belonging to Prince of Orange.

In the French Part are,

1. Montmedy, a Fortification, 2. Marville, 3. Damvilliers, a well fortified Place.

VI. Of the Dutchy of LIMBURG.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in

Dutchy of Limburg?

Ans. 1. Limburg, the Capital City, which built on a Rock, and steep on every Side. It taken by the Dutch in 1603, but retaken by Spaniards, and again by the French, who raze Fortifications. It was also taken by the Dutch the Beginning of this Century. 2. Dalem, 3. kenburgh, and 4. Wyck, all three Fortifications, longing to the Dutch.

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VII. Of the Dutchy of GELDERLAND.

Qu. Which are the Principal Places in Gelderland? Anf. Gelderland is divided into Upper and Lower. Upper Gelderland belongs to the Imperial Netherds, of which we are now speaking; Lower Gelrland is one of the feven Provinces which we shall at of hereafter.

Upper Gelderland has,

1. Gelders, the Capital City, a Fortification, beging to the King of Pruffia.

2. Ruremonde, a well fortified City, a Bishop's , belonging to the Emperor.

3. Venlo, a good Fortification, belonging to the

tch.

VIII. Of BRABANT.

Qu. How is the Dutchy of Brabant divided? inf. Into four Districts, which are distinguished

the Names of each respective Capital City.

The Antwerp Diffrict, which also makes the Province, has, 1. Antwerp, a large City, which tta Century and a half ago, was the most flourishand richest trading City in the whole World; but he Struggle for Liberty, was stripped of all her ry. This noble City was in 1576, plundered for Days, by the Soldiers of the Duke of Alba. ing which Troubles most of the Merchants red to other Places, and the Trade drew off y to Amsterdam, where it still flourishes. 2. Fort Maria. 3. Tornbut. 4. Mechlen, an antient City, which, with its Territories, is the 10th nce in the Austrian Netherlands.

II. In the Bruffels Diftrict are ; 1. Bruffels, Bruxelles, on the River Senne, is a large, fine, a populous City, and the Residence of the Governe the Princess of Austria. 2. Nivelle. 3. Senne 4. Duisberg. 5. Geneppe. And 6. Wavre.

III. In the District of Louvain, is 1. Louvain, large City and University. 2. Aerschatt. 3. Dia And 4. Ramelies, famous for the Battle in 170 where the Duke of Marlborough gained a comple

Taken Chictory over the French.

I. IV. In Boifleduc, or the Dutch Brabant, the From Bergen op Zoom, a confiderable Fortification, longing to the Dutch. 2. Steenbergen, a small For 3. Prince's Land, belonging to the Prince of Oran 4. Breda, a large City, and Fortification. 5. B fleduc, a strong Fortification. 6. Grave, a sm but well fortified City on the Maes. 7. Helma 8. Ofterwyck. 9. Ravenstein, and 10. Maestricht, large City, and one of the strongest Fortifications the World. The Dutch have here a noble Arien out of which the whole Army may be furnil with Arms, and Artillery.

Qu. What are the chief Commodities of

Austrian Netherlands?

Ans. The Manufactures of Tapestries, fine nen, Yarn, Cambrick, fine Lace, Thread, wron Silks, worsted Stuffs, &c.

Qu. What is the Established Religion of the

Strian Netherlands?

Anf. The Natives are Roman Catholicks. Head of the Clergy is the Archbishop of Med who has 7 Bishops under him, viz. 1. Of G 2. Of Bruges. 3. Of Antwerp. 4. Of Na 5. Of Tournay. 6. Of Ypern, and 7. Of Rurem Qu. Which are the Barrier Towns, and For the Auftrian Netherlands?

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Anf. Those garrisoned by the Dutch only, are, Namur. 2. Tournay. 3. Menim. 4. Furnes. 5. Tpern, 6. Fort Knock. Those which are garrisoned by equal Number of Imperialists and Dutchmen, are. Dendermond, and 2. Ruremond.

The Barrier Treaty between the Emperor and lland, confifting of 29 Articles, commenced the of October, 1714; and after 48 Conferences. s concluded the 15th of November, 1715; by ich the Dutch Garrisons, for the Security of the ited Provinces, are lodged in those Frontier was, and are obliged to take their Oath of Allence likewise to the Emperor. and a stable : butil

CHAP. XVI.

Of the United NETHERLANDS.

THAT is to be understood by the United Netherlands?

Inf. The Provinces that compose the Republick Holland.

u. Are they distinguished by no other Name? Inf. Yes, they are commonly called in Latin,

ium Fæderatum, or the United Provinces. u. How many of these Provinces are there?

of. Seven, viz. of a noon vious M sid of room

The County of Holland.

The County of Zeeland. and and vail aid

I. The Lordship of Utrecht

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I. The Lordship of West-Friezland.

I. Of the Province of Holland.

Qu. How is Holland divided?

Anf. Into South, and North Holland.

2m. Which are the Principal Cities, and Tow

in North Holland.

Anf. Y. Amsterdam, one of the richest, and noble trading Cities in the World, 2. Harlem, a large a noble City, in which there is a great Manufactu of fine Holland, flowered Silks, and fine Lace. Leyden, next to Amsterdam, the finest City in H land: Here is a large Woollen Manufactury. T University of Leyden has always been famous Learned Men. 4. Delft, a pleasant City: In great Church is a fine Monument of Brass, in Co memoration of the Prince of Orange: Here is a great Arlenal, out of which 100,000 Men in be armed. 5. Hague conlists chiefly of Out-L and Gardens: The States General of the Uni Provinces affembled here, and this Place is the Re of most foreign Ambassadors and Ministers. 6. A wick, a Village between the Hague and Delft; mous for the Peace concluded there. 7. Rotterd a large and populous City, and the next to Am dam for Trade and Merchandize. In this City born the famous Erasmus Reteredamus, on the of October, 1467. His Statue in Brass stands in nour to his Memory upon a Stone Bridge. 8. D or Dordrecht, is famous on Account of its Sy This City has the Preheminence of all the of throughout Holland, and has the first Vote in Assembly of the States. 9. Torgou, a large, fine, strong City. The Paintings on the Glass Wind in the Cathedral Church, are very much admire Travellers. . 10. Brief, a Sea Port, and a conve Habour. 12. Helvoetsluys, a fine Harbour.

Ou. Which are the principal Places in North

olland ? Anf. 1. Edam, the Capital; the Place farnous for od Cheese. 2. Saardam, a very rich Village near Water Ye; a Place famous for building of Ships. Alckmar, one of the neatest and cleanest Cities in alland. This is well fortified, and inhabited chiefby People that live upon their Rents. 4. Egmont. Hoorn, on the Zuyder Sea, a large and fine City. Enchhuysen, a large City; it has a good Harbour. Id 7. The Texel, which is an Island, most Ships ng and coming, anchor there.

averty of Ligida this aways been has II. Of the Province of ZEALAND. eas (shorten is a fine Monument of Book at

Qu. What is most remarkable with respect to Province of Zealand?

Inf. Zealand confifts of eight Islands, viz.

Walcheren, wherein is, 1. Middleburg, the pital, well fortified. z. Vlieffingen, which has an ortant Harbour, and is well fortified.

I. Shoven, is pretty large, whereon is Ziriczea, lity and Harbour.

II. South Beveland, whereon is Ter-Goes, 2 rich

well fortified City.

V. North Beveland, a small Island; it has two ages, the Inhabitants of which have enough to with the Help of Mills, to keep their Heads ve the Water.

Tolen, a small Island, on which is Fer-Tolen,

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Duyveland, i. e. Develand, which has three e Villages. II. Walferdyck, and daina dained a

III. The Island St. Philippe, are both but finall.

III. Of the Province of UTRECHT.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Province

Utrecht ?

Anf. 1. Utrecht, a large, fine, and strong City of the Rhine. Here is a famous University, which we founded there in 1635. In 1672, this City was take by the French. Lewis XIV. came in Person to sur Te Deum in the Cathedral. 2. Montford, an important Fortification.

IV. Of GELDERLAND.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Gelderland?

Ans. This Country is divided into Upper and Low

Gelderland; Upper Gelderland belongs to the Austri

Netherlands; and Lower Gelderland is one of the Seven United Provinces.

Qu. How is this Province divided?

Ans. Into three Parts, viz.

I. Betau, wherein is Nimwegen, the Capital large City, famous for the Peace in 1679.

11. Velaw, wherein is, 1. Arnheim, the Cap 2. Hardewick, where there is an University.

III. The County of Zutphen, wherein is Zutphen the Capital and a Fortification.

V. Of OVER-YSSEL.

Qu. How is Over-Yffel divided?
Ans. Into three Parts, viz.

I. Sallan, wherein is, 1. Deventer, the Ca City. 2. Camp; And 3. Zwol.

II. Twente, in which is Olderfal.

III. Trente, wherein is Coevorden, a Fro Town, and Fortification towards Germany.

VI. Of GROENINGEN.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Groeningen?
Ans. 1. Groeningen, the Capital City, a Fortisication, and a famous University. 2. Bourtangerford, Frontier Fortisication. 3. Delf-Zyl, a Frontier ortisication, and an Harbour. And 4. Embden, a yell fortisied City.

VII. Of FRIEZLAND:

Qu. Which are the chief Towns in Friezland?

Ans. 1. Leewaerden, the Capital, a large, and strong rished City. 2. Franecker, a beautiful City and an inversity. 3. Harlingen, a Sea Port and trading own.

Qu. What is the State and Condition of the Seven

rovinces in General?

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Ans. This Country being for the most Part full of vers, Canals, and Marshes, doth not produce eier Wood or Grain, sufficient for its Support; but supplied therewith, and most Things from other puntries.

CHAP. XVII.

Of SWITZERLAND.

ROM whence did this Country receive its

Anj. From the Canton of Switz, which was the that shook off the Yoke of the House of Austria.

Qu. How is this Country fituated?

Inf. Towards the Routh and Gast it borders upon E 4. Germany;

Germany ; on the mest it is divided from France by the Mountains of Switzerland; and south by the Alps from Italy on him doing

Qu. How large is this Country?

Anf. It is about 160 Miles long, and about the fame Extent in Breadth.

Qu. How is the Swifs Republick divided?

Ans. I. Into the Confederate, or United Cantons.

II. Into the Swifs Subjects; and

III. Into the Swift Allies. od at home

Qu. What are the Swiss United Cantons?

Anf. The Word Canton fignifies in French a Territory, Community, or small Republick; of these there were Thirteen which became Confederates. and by a folemn Oath united themselves into one powerful Body Politick. The satisfies the bus and

Qu. When was this Confederacy entered into?

Anf. The general Revolution began on New-Year's Day, 1308; on which Day the Swiffers made themselves Masters of several Castles, and sent their Governors, by whom they were oppressed, out of their Country; and foon after the other Cantons came into the fame Confederacy.

Qu. How are the 13 Cantons divided?

Ans. Four of them are Protestants, Seven are Roman Catholicks; and in Two both Religions are tolerated.

Qu. Which are the Protestant Cantons?

Anf. 1. Zurich. 2. Bern. 3. Bafil. And 4. Schaffbaufen.

Qu. Which are the Roman Catholick Cantons? Anf. 1. Lucern. 2. Friburg. 3. Solothurn. 4. Switz

5. Uri. 6. Underwald. And 7. Zug. Qu. Which are the two Cantons wherein both Religions are profess'd?

Anf. The Canton of Glaris; and 2. that of Appenzell. 211.

Ou. Which are the chief Towns in Switzerland? Ans. Each Canton has a Capital City of its own Name, except Uri, which has Alterf and Underwald, which has Stantz for its Chief Town.

Qu. Which is the first of the Cantons ?

Ans. Zurich, the Capital of which is situated on a Lake of the fame Name, and is the most populous and richest City in Switzerland, being famous for its Manufactures of Crapes, and its learned Academy.

Qu. Which is the largest and most powerful of

What are the Swiff United Can another after

Anf. That of Bern, being able to raise 60,000 Men in 24 Hours. Aller to vilgumeno Qu. How is this Canton divided ?

Anf. Into two different Countries; the first of which, and the largest, is called the German Country, because the Inhabitants of it speak nothing but High-Dutch; and the other is called the Roman Country, or the Country of Vaud, in which the Natives speak no other Language but the French.

Qu. Which is the Capital of this Canton?

Ans. Bern, which is situate on the River Aar: This is a large and fine City; all the Houses being built of Stone on Piazza's, fo that in rainy Weather one may go dry from one End of the Town to the There is an Academy and an Arfenal, out of which 60,000 Men may be armed.

Qu. Which is the most considerable City in that Part of the Canton of Bern, called the County of

Vaux ?

Ans. Lausanne, on the Lake of Geneva, which is governed by its own Magistrates, and enjoys many great Privileges. There is an Academy, and a Cahedral Church, which is one of the largest and finest Structures in Europe:

Qu. What is remarkable with respect to Basel,

he Capital City of the Canton of that Name?

Anf. It is a large, and well built City; the Rhine flows through it, and divides it into two Parts; the one called the Upper Basel, and the other the Lown Basel. It is famous, not only on Account of its Trade, which is pretty extensive; but more particularly for its celebrated University, and for the General Council held there in 1431.

Qu. What other remarkable Town is there in the

13 Cantons?

Anf. Solothurn, Capital of the Canton of that Name, a fine, and well built City, lituate on the Rhine, with strong Fortifications, and fine Pleasure Houses and Gardens in the Suburbs. Here the Envoy from the Court of France to the Swiffers make his Residence.

Qu. Is not Lucern, the Capital of the Canton that

bears that Name, a Place of some Note?

Ans. Yes, it is a pretty large City, divided int two by the River Russ, and well fortified both be Art and Nature. Here a Nuncio from the Pope, an a Spanish Envoy reside constantly, and the Deputies of the Roman Catholick Cantons use to assemble,

Qu. What is meant by the Swifs Subjects?

Anf. There are several small Territories which indeed were admitted by the 13 Cantons into the Covenant, not as Confederates, or Allies, but meer Subjects:

Qu. Which are these Subjects?

Ans. First, the Town of Baden with its Te ritory, which has its Name from the Hot Bat wherewith Nature has ftored it. It was formerly wealthy, well built, and fortified City, but in the War of 1712, the Inhabitants having declared the Roman Catholicks against the Protestants, Cantons of Zurich and Bern demolished its Forth cations, and feized upon its Government; it is mous, however, on Account of its being the Place

the general Meeting of the Deputies of the Cantons and their Allies, and for the Treaty of Peace concluded there in 1714, between the German Empire and France.

Qu. Name the other Subjects of the Swifs Can-

Ans. They are those of Turgow, Bremgarten, Mellingen, Rheintall, Sargants, &c. towards Germany; and those of the four Governments towards Italy; viz. Lugano, Locarno, Mendrifio, and Val. Brenna.

Qu. What are the Swifs Allies?

Inf. They are Territories and Governments round about the Swiss, who have made each a feparate Treaty of Alliance with the Cantons, and at different Times.

Qu. Which are the most considerable of those

Allies?

Anf. The Republick of the Grifons, which lies between Italy, Germany, and the Swiffers, about 64.
Miles long, and about as many broad. It is diffinguished into three Parts, called Leagues.

Qu. Name them?

Ans. 1. The Old League; in which are 28 Dif-Protestants. 2. The League of the House of GOD; which confifts of 19 Diffricts, most of them Pro-This is divided into 10 Territories, or Jurisdictions, most of them Protestants. These three Leagues are considered as one in Authority of Government. The Capital City is Coire on the Rhine.

The Territories belonging to this Republick are, L. Chiavenna, 2. Valtelin; and 3. Wormio.

Qu. What other Allies have the Swift Cantons? Anf. The Republick of Vallois, To called, because the Country lies in a fine Valley, towards Italy. This E 6

Territory is about 60 Miles long, and 24 broad; the Inhabitants are Roman Catholicks. Sion is the Capital City. There is a Bishop, who is a Prince of the Holy Empire, and has the Privilege of coining Money.

Qu. Is not the County of Neufchatel ally'd to the

Swis?

Ans. Yes. This Territory lies towards Burgogne; it is 24 Miles long, and 8 broad; it is well peopled has three Cities, and 90 large Villages. Neufchatel, fituated on a Lake of that Name, is the Capital City, and enjoys great Privileges. This Country belong now to the King of Prussia, The Inhabitants are all Protestants.

Qu. Go on and name the rest of the Swiss Allies Ans. Geneva is one of the most considerable. This is a Republick of itself. Geneva, the Capital a large, fine, rich, and populous City, situate on the Lake of that Name, which is the largest in Europe being near 60 Miles long, and about 12 broad. It is now a strong fortisted Place, and has a very famou Academy. This Republick declared themselve Protestants in 1535, and 1546 were admitted in Swiss Alliance.

Qu. What have you to fay of the City and Abbe

of St. Gall, another of the Swiss Alliance?

Ans. They are not large, but well peopled; their Trade, especially in Cloth, which is manufactured there, is pretty good. The City is governed by it own Magistrates. The Abbot, who is stilled Print of the Holy Empire, has no Jurisdiction over it though he bears the Name of it. The Inhabitants at partly Protestants, and partly Roman Catholicks. They entered into Alliance with the Swiss, in the Year 1451.

Qu. Name the rest of the Swifs Allies?

Ans. 1. Bienna, a City, with a finall Territory it, fituate between the Cantons of Bern and Bafil. The Bishoprick of Porentry, where the Bishop's e of Basil was transferred at the Reformation. nd 3. the City Mulbausen, in the Upper Alfatia, hich made an Alliance with the Cantons of Zurich nd Bern, in 1535-

Qu. What is the State of Condition of Switzer-nd in general? I is boord 8 bas good solution

Inf. This Country abounds with high Wountains. me are covered with Ice and Show all the Year and : Others are covered with Trees and Pasture, here the Pealants drive their Cattle to feed above Clouds.

Some Mountains are very incommodious to the labitants; many of them look with a terrible Afas if they were falling that Moment; upon ers, the thick Woods harbour favenous Creaes, who fornetimes do Abundance of Mischief ong the Cattle and has

Qu. What is the Produce of this Country?

inf. The Swifs don't want for Cattle, Fifth, ine, Milk, Butter and Cheefe, but Corn and tare scarce; what Commodities they have, they Supplied with out of Germany, and other neighanother of the Swife A Resident of redrone

Qu. Which are the most noted Rivers in Swit-

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Inf. 1. The Rhine, which has its Source in the , and takes its Course through them into Gery. 2. The Rhone, which has its Source in the untains near the Vallois, and takes its Course wigh the Lake of Geneva into France. 3. The which flows through the Middle of Switzerinto the Rhine.

w. What is the general Character of the Swif-



Ans. They are a plain and honest People; true and faithful to their Word; courageous, strong, and a of a stratery, excellent Soldiers.

Du. What Sort of Government have the Swift? Anf. They have neither Prince nor Stadtholder in prefide in their Counfels of State. Each Canton and Ally of the Cantons, is governed by its own Magi-Brates. In some, the Government is in the Handso but a few; and in others, it is in the Hands of the People.

In Matters of great Importance, not only the Cantons, but also the Swiss Allies, are convened together, sometimes at Buden, sometimes at Arau.

Qu. What are the Forces of the whole Body of Swift ? Company of your one

Anf. In Time of Need they can raise 200,000 Men in a few Hours; for every Swifs is a Soldie for his Country, and is inlifted as fuch when I Years of Age. When a Signal of Danger is given by Fires on the neighbouring Hills, he must go immediately to his Place of Rendezvous, and care with him 4lb. of Lead, 2lb. of Powder, and Pro vision for eight Days.

CHAP. XIX. Of ITALY.

bank troots for the Shire. Qu. TROM whence had Italy its Name? Anf. As most Authors conjecture, from Italus, an ancient King of the Siculi, who leaving their Island, came into this Country, and gave it Name of their Prince.

Qu. How is Italy situated?

Anf. This Country is long, but narrow; toward



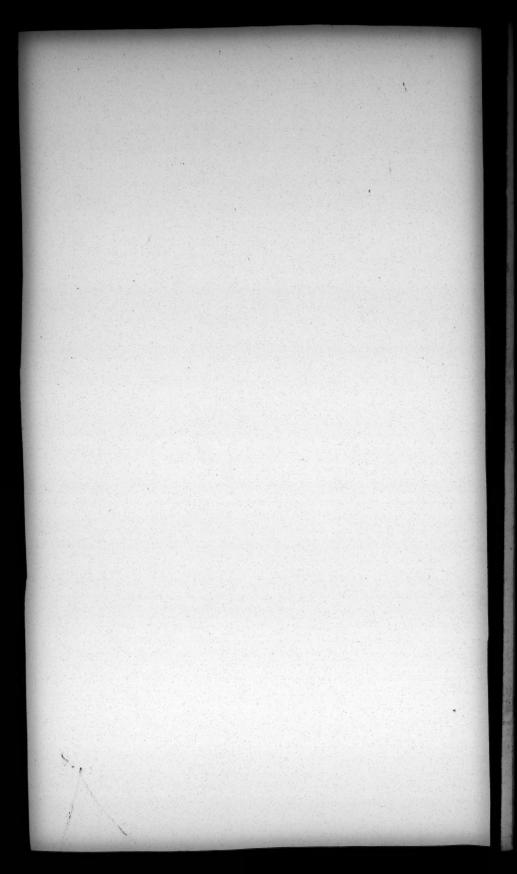
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e Cast it has the Adriatic Sea, or the Gulph of Vece; Messmards, the Mediterranean; Posthwards, borders upon Germany, Switzerland, and France. In the South it has the Mediterranean Sea, and the reights of Messina.

Du. How large is Italy?

Ans. 1. In Length from the Alps to the Streights Messina, it is computed to be above 800 Miles. The Breadth is unequal. Towards the Alps it is ckoned 4 or 500 Miles; but lower from Tuscany South Calabria, in some Places, it is not above to; in others, not above 80 Miles.

Qu. What is its Form, and how is it divided?

Anf. Italy is a large Peninfula, which represents by nearly the Form of a Boot: It is divided among any Sovereigns, the Principals of which are, the imperor; the King of Naples and Sicily; the Pope; e King of Spain; the Republick of Venice; and e great Duke of Tuscany. It has, properly speakes, no Capital; but if any Place claim that Title, must undoubtedly be Rome.

Qu. What elfe belongs to Italy?

Ans. The Islands which are about that Country.

I. Of the Upper Part of ITALY.

Qu. What is most remarkable in this Part?

Anf. I. The Dutchy of Savoy.

H. The Principality of Piedmont.

III. Montserrat.

IV. The Dukedom of Milan.

V. The Dutchy of Parma. VI. The Dutchy of Modena.

VII. The Dutchy of Mantua. And

VIII. The Republick of Venice, Genoa, and Lucra.

1. Qu. What is most observable in the Dutchy of

Ans. 1. That it belongs to the King of Sardinia. 2. Chamberry, the Capital City. 3. Montmelian, an incomparable Fortification.

II. Que What is of most Note in Piedmont?

Ans. 1. That it belongs to the King of Sardinia. 2. Turin, the Capital, the Residence of the King. which is one of the most beautiful Cities in Europe, with a strong Citadel. 3. Verceil, a strong Fortification. 4. Sufa, a Place of great Confequence, to-wards the Frontiers of France. 5. Saluzzo, a Fortification towards France. 6. Nizza, or Nice, a Fortification, and excellent Harbour, near the Mediterranean, noted for the Council which met there to determine fome Points in Religion. 7. The Vallies of the Waldenses, which lie in this Dutchy.

III. Qu. What is most remarkable in Montserrat?
Ans. 1. That it belongs to the Duke of Mantua.

2. Cafal, a Fortification.

IV. Qu. What is chiefly to be noted in the

Dutchy of Milan?

Anf. 1. Milan, the Capital, one of the largest, finest, and strongest Cities in Italy. 2. Pavia, famous for its University. 3. Alessandria. 4. Cremona, all of them well fortified Places.

V. Qu. Which are the chief Places in the Dutchy

of Parma?

Anf. 1. Parma, the Capital City. 2. Placentia, a fine City towards Milan.
VI. Qu. Which are the principal Places in the

Dutchy of Modena?

Anf. 1. Modena, the Capital, a large, and fine City, the Residence of the Duke. 2. Regio, a fine City. 3. Mirandola, an important Fortification.

VII. What is there in the Dutchy of Mantua? Anf. Mantua, the Capital and Residence of the Duke; it is a large and ftrong City, being encompassed with a little Sea, or Morass. 2110 Qu. How many Republicks are there in Upper Italy?

Ans. Three, 1. Venice. 2. Genoa. And 3. Lucca.

1. Of the Republick of VENICE.

Qu. What is to be observed in the Republick of Venice?

Ans. 1. That it has in its Possession a fine Tract of Land in Italy, which together is by them called Terra Firma. 2. Venice, the Capital City, which is built on 72 Islands, in the midst of the Adriatic Sea, or the Gulph of Venice. It is a large, magnificent, and wonderful City. There are 450 Bridges, among which the Rialto is the most Grand, being built of fine Marble, with only one Arch, under which may pass a Ship on full Sail. There are 53 large and little Squares, among which that of St. Mark is the finest; 150 magnificent Palaces; 115 noble Steeples; 64 Statues in Brass; 23 Monuments or Pillars of Brass; 70 Churches; 39 Friaries; 28 Nunneries; and 17 rich, Hospitals. Out of the Arsenal 200,000 Infantry, and 25,000 Cavalry may be immediately armed. 3. Padua, a large City, Bishop's See, and an University. 4. Verona, a Bishoprick, and one of the finest, and largest Cities in Italy. 5. Brescia, a large City, famous for Sword and Knife Blades, which are in high Esteem in other Countries, and of which the Manufacturers fend great Quantities Abroad.

II. Of the Republick of GENOA.

Qu. What are the principal Places in Genoa?

Ans. 1. Genoa, a Sea Port, and a magnificent
City and Fortification. 2. Savona, a Town and
Harbour. 3. Finale, a fine Harbour and Fortification.



III. Of the Republick of Lucca.

Qu. What is the Republick of Lucca noted for?

Ans. Lucca, the Capital City and Fertification;
besides which there is no considerable Town.

Qu. What other Places of Note are there in Upper

Italy?

Ans. 1. The Dutchy of Mirandola. 2. Of Castiglione. 3. Of Bozzola. 4. Of Novellara. 5. Of Monaco. And 6. Of Massa and several others.

II. Of the Middle Part of ITALY.

Qu. What Countries are chiefly to be taken Notice of, in the middle Part of Italy?

Ans. I. The great Dukedom of Tustany.

II. The Ecclefiaftical State, or the Dominions of the Pope. And

III. Several little States.

Qu. What Government is observed in the great Dukedom of Tuscany?

Anf. It has its own Sovereign, who is stiled the

Grand Duke of Tufcany.

Qu. How is this Country divided?
Ans. Into three principal Districts.

the Capital, and Residence of the Grand Duke. It is a large, magnificent, and beautiful City. 2. The Pisan District, wherein is the City of Pisa, which has a convenient Place for building of Ships, and Livorno, or Leghorn, a well fortified City and Harbour, in the Mediterranean. 3. The Sienna District, wherein is Sienna, a large City on a high Hill.

Qu. What Provinces belong to the Ecclefiaffical

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is Ferrana, the Capital, which is large, and has a

Cathedral. 2. The Bolognese, wherein is Bologna. the Capital City. 3. Romagna, wherein lies the for-merly famous City Ravenna. 4. The Dutchy Urbino, wherein is Urbino, the Capital City. 5. The Anconian Diftrict, wherein is Ancona, the Capital City with a fine Harbour; and Loretto, a fmall, but well fortified Town, famous for the great Refort of Pilgrims, on Account of the Chappel of that Place, wherein is preferved the Chamber of the Virgin Mary, which was brought thither (as is reported) by Angels; as also a marvellous Image of the Holy Virgin. 6. The Dutchy of Spoleto, sometimes called Umbria, wherein is Spoleto, a large Town. 7. Sabino, a little Diffrict, wherein is only Tivoli, a fmall Town. 8. Campagnia di Roma, wherein is Rome, a very famous, large, magnificent, and ancient City, and the Residence of the Pope. 9. St. Peter's Patrimony, wherein is Viterbo, the Capital City, and Civita Vecchia, a fine Harbour. And 10. The Dutchy of Castro, a middling Town.

Qu. How many small States are there in the middle

Part of Italy?

Ans. Six Dutchies; 1. That of Piombino. 2. Farnese. 3. Palestrina. 4. Bracciano. 5. Melaola. 6. Pagliano. And 7. The small Republick of St. Marino.

III. Of the Lower Part of ITALY.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the lower Part

of Italy?

Ans. The Kingdom of Naples, which borders

upon the Ecclesiastical State.

Qu. How is this Kingdom divided?

Ans. Into four principal Provinces, which are, 1. Abruzzo. 2. Terra di Lavora. 3. Apuglia. And, 4. Calabria. The standing

Qu. How many Provinces belong to Abruzzo?

Anf. Three, viz. 1. North Abruzzo, wherein is Aquila, the Capital City, with a good Castle. 2. South Abruzzo, wherein is Chieti, an Archbishop's See. And 3. The Country Molifa, wherein is Molisa, the principal Town, with a Castle.

Qu. How many Provinces belong to Terra di La-

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Anf. Three, viz.

I. Terra di Lavora, properly so called; wherein is, 1. Naples, the Capital of the whole Kingdom. an opulent, flourishing, and trading City, with a fine large Harbour, and an Archbishop's See. 2. Gaeta, a Sea Port. 3. Capoa, a fine and magnificent City. 4. Mount Vesuvius, a Vulcano, about three Miles from Naples.

II. The South Principality, or Principate, as they call it, wherein is Salerno, an Archbishop's See,

Fortification, and Harbour.

III. The North Principality, or Principate, wherein is Benevento, a large and rich Archbishoprick, belonging to the Pope.

Qu. How many Provinces belong to Apuglia?

Anf. Three, viz.

I. Capitanata, wherein is, I. Manfredonia, and Archbishop's See and Harbour. And 2. Lucera, the Capital City.

II. Terra di Bari, wherein is Bari, an Archbi

shop's See, Fortification, and Harbour.

III. Terra d'Otranto, wherein is, 1. Otranto, well fortified Town and Harbour, upon the Gulph of Venice. And 2. Taranto, which gave the Name to a Prince of the Blood of the Kings of Naples, and fituated upon the Gulph of that Name.

Qu. How is Calabria divided?

Anf. Into two Parts, 1. The Northern, or Citerior which comprehends the Basilicate, wherein is Gi renza, an Archbishop's See Cozenza, the Capital of the whole Calabria is in this Part, and has a rich Archbishoprick. 2. The Southern or Ulterior, wherein is Reggio, opposite to the Island of Sicily; also an Archbishop's See.

IV. Of the Italian IsLANDS.

Qu. What Islands are about Italy?

ans. Among many others, there are four principal ones, viz.

I. Corfica. II. Sardinia. III. Sicily. And

Qu. What is remarkable in the Island of Corfica? Ans. 1. That it bears the Title of a Kingdom. That it belongs to the Republick of Genoa, but low lately has been possessed by the French, on their ending some Troops thither to quell the Insurrecion of the Inhabitants against the Genoese Government, under the Conduct of Baron Newhoff. Baftia, the Capital City and a Sea Port.

Qu. What is most observable in the Island of Sar-

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Anf. 1. That is bears the Title of a Kingdom. Cagliari, the Capital, and Residence of the Viceloy, and an Archbishop's See. 3. That now the

luke of Savoy is its King and Sovereign.

Qu. What is principally remarkable in Sicily? Anf. That it is the largest Island in the Mediteranean. 2. That it bears the Title of a Kingdom. That it now belongs to Don Carlos, as King of laples and Sicily. 4. Messina, a very rich and trading ty, upon the Streights of that Name, commonly alled the Faro of Meffina. 5. Palermo, the Capital, nd the Refidence of the Vice Roy. 6. Mount Ætna, Vulcano, which burns almost continually, and causes equent Earthquakesi communication

Qu. What is most observable in the Island of lata 21 to stree entre Mecourie to Irs atla

Ans. 1. That it lies Southward of Sicily, and belongs properly to Africa. 2. It now belongs to the Knights of Malta, who choose a Grand Master for their Head and Governour. 3. Valette, the Capital, and Residence of the Grand Master. And 4. That this Island harbours no venomous Creatures.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Italy?

Ans. 1. The River Adige, which has its Source in the Alps, and empties itself into the Adriatic Sea. 2. The River Po, which from the Alps takes its Course throughout the Upper Part of Italy into the Adriatic Sea. 3. The River Arno, which flows through Tuscany and Florence, and empties itself into the Mediterranean. 4. The Tiber, which flows through Rome, and empties itself into the Mediterranean. The two last have their Source in the Apennin.

Qu. What's the State or Condition of Italy in

general?

Ans. 1. This Country is very uneven, on Acount of the Swiss Mountains, and the Alps. 2. It has plenty of Wine, Fruit, and Oil. 3. It produces a great deal of Silk, not only sufficient for their own Manufacturies, but for the Supply of other Nations. And 4. They are provided with Corn from Poland, England, and Africa.

Qu. What is the established Religion in Italy?

Anf. The Natives are all Roman Catholicks; but there is no People less zealous in the Observation of Religious Duties. 2. The Jews are suffered to perform their publick Worship at Rome, which is an Indulgence denied to the Protestants.

Qu. What is the Character of the Italians?

Anf. They are witty and politick, famous for Vocal and Inffrumental Musick, also for Painting and Sculpture; but extremely jealous and revengeful; to accomplish their Ends, they spare no Expence or Pains, and have often Recourse to Treachery,

to make away with their Enemies; whence it is, that no Country in Europe, has more Murders committed in it than Italy. To the Commission whereof, two Things very much contribute; First, the Smallness of its States, which makes it very easy to sty from one to another; and the Conveniency of Sanctuaries; the Hands of Justice not being able to take hold of any Murderer, who can get into a Church, without going through so many Formalities, as will give the Murderer Time enough to escape.

Qu. What is there remarkable besides ?

Ans. That it is one of the finest Countries in Europe, and is called the Garden of it. It is the Delight and Admiration of Travellers; its opulent and
magnificent Cities, stately Palaces, Churches, Monasteries, Convents, Treasures, and Rarities, are
surprising, and surnish the Curious with more Aniquities in Sculpture, Medals, and other Things,
than any Country besides.

Qu. Which are the Cities in Italy most worth the

Notice of Travellers?

Ans. There are many, of which mention has been made already, but I shall range the most famous of them into a regular Order throughout Italy, from Irent near Tirol to Naples, and returning back to Iurin. I. Trent. 2. Venice. 3. Padua. 4. Boulognes. 5. Florence. 6. Sienne. 7. Perusa. 8. Ravenna. 9. Ancona. 10. Loretto. 11. Rome. 12. Naples. 13. Pisa. 14. Legborn. 15. Lucca. 16. Genoa. 17. Pavia. 18. Parma. 19. Placentia. 20. Manua. 21. Verona. 22. Milan. And 23. Turin.

Qu. How is the Temperature of the Air?

Ans. The Air is generally very pure, mild, and ealthful; except in the Campagnia di Roma, during he midst of the Summer Season, it is so pestilent, that ew or no People remain in it at that Time.

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Ans. Germany, in its proper Language, is calle Teutschland, i. e. Dutch Land, which Name is de rived from the first Inhabitants, the Teutones; the People worshipping God, under the Name of Theuth called their Country Theuth Land, i. e. The Land other 7

The Latins call it Germania; the French, All magne; and in the Court Stile it is called, The Bo

Roman Empire.

Qu. How is Germany bounded?

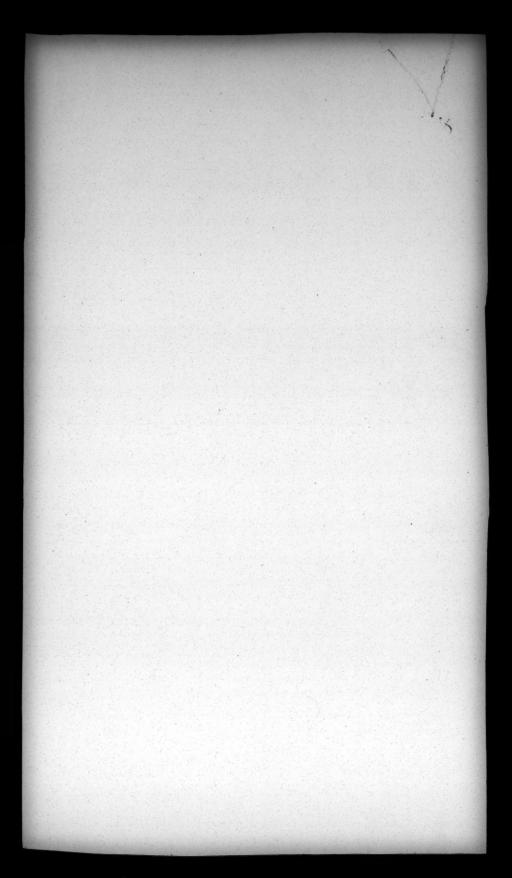
Anf. On the Cast by Prussia, Poland, and Hu gary. On the West by France, the Spanish Nether lands and Holland. On the Roath by the Balin Sea, Denmark, and the German Ocean. And Sou it borders upon Italy and Switzerland.

Qu. How is Germany divided?

Anf. The Emperor Maximilian in the Year 15 divided it into Ten Circles.

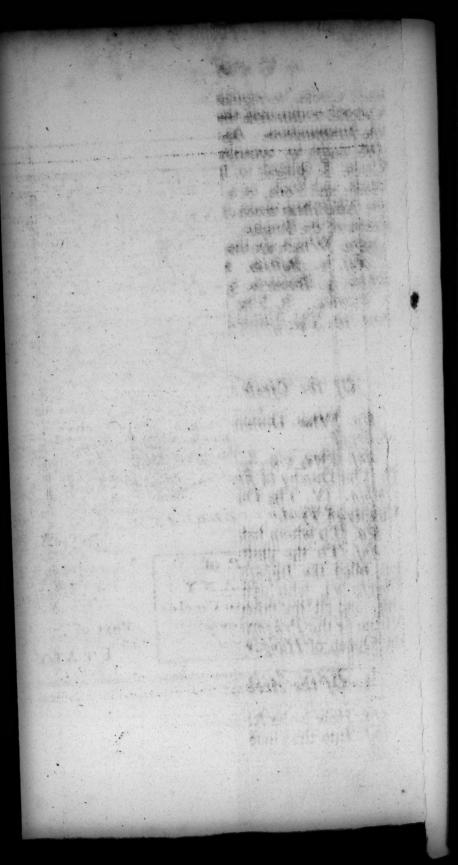
Du. What are those Circles?

Ans. They are like so many Provinces, and a of them contain their feveral Dominions; the Pr ces, Prelates and Earls of which, and the Deput of the Cities affemble about their Common Concer Every Circle has one or two Directors and a Color The Directors have the Power of calling the States



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their Circle, to regulate their publick Affairs. The Colonel commands the Soldiery, and takes Care of the Ammunition. As all the Members of the Empire ought to contribute to its Necessities, every Circle is obliged to furnish a certain Number of Horse and Foot, or a Sum of Money, according to the Assessment made in the matricular Books of the States of the Empire.

Qu. Which are the ten Circles?

Ans. 1. Austria. 2. Burgundy. 3. The Lower Rhine. 4. Bavaria. 5. Upper-Saxony. 6. Franconia. 7. Swabia. 8. The Upper-Rhine. 9. Westphalia. And 10. The Lower-Saxony.

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Of the Circle of AUSTRIA.

Qu. What Dominions belong to the Circle of

Austria?

Ans. Five, viz. I. The Arch-Dutchy of Austria. II. The Dutchy of Styria. III. The Dutchy of Carinthia. IV. The Dutchy of Carniola. And V. The County of Tyrol.

Qu. To whom belongs the Circle of Austria?

Ans. To the illustrious House of Austria, which has filled the Imperial Throne from Albert IL to Charles VI. who dying the last of the Male-Issue, this, and all the other Hereditary Countries sell, by Virtue of the Pragmatick Sanction, to his Daughter the Queen of Hungary.

I. Of the Arch Dutchy of AUSTRIA.

Qu. How is the Arch-Dutchy of Austria divided?
Ans. Into the Upper and Lower Austria.

The

The Upper Austria, which is about 60 Miles fquare, contains 17 Cities, 31 Market Towns, and 217 Noblemens Seats. The Capital City is Lintz, on the Banks of the Danube, large, pleafant, and well built.

The Lower Auftria contains 45 Cities, 220 Market Towns, 44 Convents, and 3653 Villages. The chief City is, 1. Vienna, on the Danube, the Capital and Imperial Relidence; not very large in itself; but the Suburbs contain a vast Number of Inhabitants which are reckoned to be 600,000. Between the Suburbs and the City is an open Tract, 600 Pace broad, on which no Houses are suffered to be built 2. Newstat, 24 Miles from Vienna, a good Fortification, and a Bishop's See. tis tao Mides long, and near 100

II. Of STYRIA.

Qu. How is Styria divided, and what is most re

markable therein

Anf. Into Upper and Lower Styria. In Upper Styria is, 1. Judenburg, a good City, with a fine Castle, and a College of Jesuits. 2. Celle, or Marienzell, a famous Convent. Here is a miracular Image of the Virgin Mary.

In the Lower Styria is Gratz, the Capital of the whole Country, where is an University, a College

of Jefuits, and a great Number of Palaces.

III. Of the Dutchy of CARINTHIA.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in Carinthia Ans. It is 112 Miles long, and 56 broad, and contains 12 Cities, 20 Market Towns, and 17 Caftles; Clagenfort is the Capital. The Walls this City are broad enough for five Coaches to din a-breaft.

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IV. Of the Dutchy of CRAIN, or CARNIOLA.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Dutchy of

Ans. 1. It is 120 Miles long, and 100 broad. It contains 21 Cities, 36 Market Towns, 254 Castles, and 4000 Villages. 2. The Capital City is Laubach, arge and well built. Here is a Cathedral, and a Bishop's See a reason of the contained adjusted and a second sec

V. Of the Ducal Country of T v. ot.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in this Coun-

Ans. 1. It is 120 Miles long, and near 100 broad. It contains 28 Cities and Towns, 2 Bishopricks, 8 Convents, 207 Parishes, 1230 Churches, 355 Castles, and 894 Villages. 2. Inspruck, the Capital City, and University. 3. The Bishoprick of Trident, or Trent; wherein is Trent, the Capital City, sand use on Account of the Council, which begun here in 1545, and was sinished in 1563. And 4. The Bishoprick of Brixen, wherein is Brixen, the Capital, surrounded with high Mountains.

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Of the Circle of BURGUNDY.

Qu. Which are the Countries that belong to the

lircle of Burgundy?

Ans. 1. The Franche Gamté. 2. The Dutchy of Surgundy. 3. The Austrian Netherlands; all which countries have been treated of before, the two first, ander the Article of France, and the third, under that of the Austrian Netherlands.

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Of the Circle of the Lower R HINE.

Qu. What Dominions belong to this Circle?

Ans. The four Electorates, viz.

I. The Palatine Electorate.

II. The Electorate of Mentz.

III. The Electorate of Trier, and

IV. The Electorate of Cologn.

I. Of the PALATINE Electorate.

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Ans. 1. That it is divided into the Upper and Lower Palatine, and again subdivided into Territoties, or Provinces, and is one of the most fruith Countries for Corn, Wine, and Pasture, in al Germany. 2. Heidelberg, the Capital and Residence of the Elector. It was formerly a famous Seat for the Muses; but within these 100 Years, it has under gone two different Revolutions, one in 1622 by the Spaniards, in which its most famous Library was carried to Rome; and in 1689, it was sacked and de molished by the French, but has since been rebuilt 3. Manheim, a fine, new built City, and an excellent Fortification.

Qu. Who is the present Elector Palatine?

Ans. Charles Philip, of the House of Newbourg
who was born Nevember the 4th, 1661; and be
gan his Reign June the 8th, 1716.

II. Of the Electorate of MENTZ.

Qu. What is the Electorate of Mentz chiefly no ted for?

Anse 1. That it is divided into 26 Territories, and that its Sovereign is the first of the Electors, and always President of the Diets of the Empire. 2. Mentz, the Capital, and Residence of the Elector; one of the most antient Cities in all Germany. Here is also an University. This Place boasts that the Art of Printing was found out there, by John Faustus; a Native of that Place, in 1440.

Qu. Who is the present Elector of Mentz?

Ans. Philip Charles, who was born October 26, 1665; and elected the 3d of June, 1732.

III. Of the Electorate of TRIER.

Qu. What is most observable in the Electorate of

Anf. 1. That it is about 80 Miles long, but the Breadth unequal. 2. It is divided into 37 small Territories. 3. Trier, the Capital, and Residence of the Elector, is the oldest City in all Germany. 4. Coblentz, a strong Fortification. 5. The present Elector Francis George, was born July the 17th, 1682, and was elected May the 2d, 1729.

IV. Of the Electorate of COLOGN.

Qu. What is principally to be observed in the electorate of Cologn?

Ans. 1. That it is 120 Miles long, but the Breadth in several Places no more than 8 or 12 Miles. 2. It divided into the Upper and Lower Electorate.

In the Upper Electorate is Cologn, the ordinary elidence of the Elector, a large, populous, and mperial Free City.

In the Lower Électorate is, 1. Keyserswert, which as formerly an important Fortification, but demoh'd by the Allies after they had taken it from the stench, in 1712.

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having broad Sur Que Who is the present Elector of Cologn? Ans. Clemens Augustus, Brother to the Elector of Bavaria. He was born in 1700, and came to the Electorate of Cologn in 1723 7011 342 10

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Of the Circle of BAVARIA.

Qu. Which are the Dominions in the Circle of

Bavaria?

Anf. The whole Circle confifts of three Capital Provinces, viz.

I. The Electorate of Bavaria.

II. The Upper Palatinate.

III. The Archbishoprick of Saltzburg. And

IV. Some Independent States.

I. Of the Electorate of BAVARIA.

Qu. What is chiefly to be noted in this Electorate?

Anf. 1. That it is 120 Miles long, and 100 broad, and contains 35 Cities, 94 Market Towns, 8 Bishopricks, 75 Convents, above 1000 Noblemens Seats, 11,704 Villages, and 28,709 Churches. 2. That it is divided into the Upper and Lower Bavaria.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Upper

Bavaria?

Ans. 1. Munich, one of the finest Cities in the Empire, and the Refidence of the Elector. 2. Ingolftadt, near the Danube, a Capital Fortification. 3. Donawert, a well built City. 4. Schellenberg, famous on Account of the glorious Victory which the Duke of Marlborough gained at that Place over the French in 1704.

Qu. Which is the principal Place in the Lower

Bavaria?

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Ans. Landsbut, a fine City, having broad Streets, with a Palace in the middle thereof, built after the Italian Manner. John of the was born at 1700 and the middle thereof, built after the

II. Of the Upper PALATINATE.

Qu. What is chiefly remarkable in the Upper

Palatinate?

Anf. That this Country is about 80 Miles long, and about the same in Breadth. Both the Upper and Lower Palatinate, belonged formerly to the Elector Palatine. In 1623, it was given to the Elector of Bavaria.

Qu. Which are the Principal Places in the Upper

Palatinate?

Ans. 1. Amberg, the Capital City. 2. Hochstedt, near the Danube, a small Town, from which was fought the most glorious Battle for the Allies, under the Conduct of the two immortal Heroes, the Duke of Marlborough and Prince Eugene, who obtained a compleat Victory over the French in 1704.

Qu. Who is the present Elector of Bavaria? Ans. Charles Albert, born August the 6th, 1697.

III. Of the Archbishoprick of SALTZBURG.

Qu. What is most observable with respect to the

Archbishoprick of Saltzburg?

Ans. That it is a large Territory, between the River Saltza and the Inn, and is 96 Miles long, and 72 broad. The Country is furrounded with high Mountains; and there are more than 10 large Lakes, all which afford Plenty of Fish. The Vallies are rich of Pasture, and the Inhabitants are provided with all the Necessaries of Life. Between the Mountains are Quarries of several Sorts of Marble.

Qu. Which are the principal Places therein?

Ans. 1. Saltaburg, The Capital and Residence of the Archbishop, a large, populous, fine City, with a strong Castle in it, the Palace is a magnificent, and pleasant Building: The Cathedral is likewise sumptuous, and in it are four Organs,

Qu. Has the Archbishop of Saltzburg besides this

Country any other Territories?

Anf. Yes; in Austria he has several small Territories; as also, in Styria. In the Dutchy of Carinthia he has, 1. Friesach, an ancient City. 2. St. Andrews, a small City and a Castle, with several small Towns of less Note. In the Electorate of Bavaria he has also several small Territories, Abbies, and Convents.

IV. Of the Independent States.

Qu. What else belongs to the Circle of Bavaria!

Ans. Some independent States of the Empire,

1. Freisingen, a Bishop's See in Upper Bavaria, the
Bishop's Palace is a magnificent Building. The present Bishop is Brother to the Duke of Bavaria, and
a Prince of the Empire. He possesses, besides the
Bishoprick, several other Territories in Bavaria and
Austria.

II. The Bishoprick of Regensburg, or Ratisbon, in Lower Bavaria. The Bishop's Palace and Cathedral stand in the Middle of the City, but his Power reaches no farther than the Ground they stand upon

III. The Bishoprick of Passau, wherein is the Capital, a fine City, with a magnificent Cathedral which has not its equal in all Germany.

IV. The County of Ortenburg, wherein is Or

tenburg, the Capital.

V. Hohen Waldeck, a County in Upper Bavaria. VI. Ratisbon, in Lower Bavaria, a famous Imperial, Free City, wherein has been kept ever fine Which are the principal Places therein by r. Salizburg, The Capital and Residence of Archbishop, a large, populous, fine City, with a Castle in it, the Palace is a magnificent, and ant Building. The Cathedral is likewise from as, and in it are four Organs.

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the Year 1662, the Imperial Diet. This City is pretty well fortified, and has a Stone Bridge over the Danube, with 15 Arches.

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VII. Rottenberg, a Fortification, three Miles from

Nurinberg.

Qu. What is the established Religion in the Circle

of Bavaria?

Ans. The Natives are all Roman Catholicks, except those in the Country of Ortenburg, and the City of Ratisbon.

V.

Of the Circle of UPPER-SAXONY.

Qu. Which are the Dominions in the Circle of

Upper Saxony?

Anf. There are fix principal ones, viz. I. Anhalt. II. The Electorate of Saxony. III. Thuringen. IV. Mifnia. V. The Electorate and Marquilate of Brandenburg. And VI. Pomerania.

I. Of ANHALT.

Qu. What is principally to be observed in the

Dukedom of Anhalt?

Ans. 1. That the House of Anhalt is divided into four Branches: 1. Anhalt-Dessau. 2. Anhalt-Bernburg. 3. Anhalt-Cothen. And 4. Anhalt-Zerbst.

Qu. What are the principal Places in this Dutchy?

Ans. The four Divisions give the same Names to each of the Capital Cities, and therefore are needless to be repeated.

II. Of the Electorate of SAXONY.

Qu. What is most observable in the Electorate of

Ans.

Ans. 1. Wittenburg, the Capital City, which tho' not large, is well fortified. Here is a famous University. In this City Luther preached his first Sermon against the Pope's Indulgencies. That great Reformer was also buried in this Place.

Qu. What is the established Religion of that

Country?

Ans. The Natives are generally Lutherans, tho' the present Electer is a Roman Catholick; his Father having turned such, in order to be elected King of Poland.

III. Of THURINGEN.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Thuringen?

Ans. 1. Erfurt, the Capital City of the whole Country. It has two Forts and an University. The great Bell here is the largest in Germany, it weighs 27,000 Weight, is 114 Yards wide, and 34 Yards high. This was formerly a Free City, but is now subject to the Elector of Mentz.

Qu. What Part of Thuringen belongs to the Elec-

toral House of Saxony?

Anf. The whole Country of Saxony is divided into three large Circles, viz. 1. The Electoral Circle.
2. That of Thuringen. And 3. That of Misnia.

The first or Electoral Circle, has been treated of before; of *Thuringen* it must be observed, that all the Territories belonging to the several Branches of the House of Saxony in this Circle, are,

I. The Districts the House of Saxe-Weissenseld posses in Thuringen are, 1. Langensaltza. 2. Sangerhausen. 3. Whitersee. 4. Ecartsburg. 5. Fri-

burg. And 6. The Dutchy of Querfurt.

II. To the House of Saxe-Weymar belongs Weymar, a fine City and Castle, the Capital among all the other Towns in this Territory.

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III. To the House of Saxe Eysenach belong, 1. Eysenach, the Capital City, and Residence of the Duke. 2. Wartburg, an ancient Castle; wherein is an University.

IV. To the House of Saxe Gotha belongs the Dutchy of Gotha, wherein is Gotha, the Capital City and Residence, well fortissed. 2. Frederickswerd, a Pleasure-House, 4 Miles from Gotha. 5. Frederick's Dale, another Pleasure-House and Garden. 6. Augustenburg, a new, and very magnificent Palace, not far from the Capital. 7. Tenneberg, a Castle, and several other Towns of Note.

V. To the House of Saxe Salfeld belongs, 1. Salfeld, a City, in a pleasant Situation: It is the Duke's Residence. And 2. Craventhal, a small Town.

Qu. What other Territories are in Thuringen?

Ans. The Dutchy of Schwartzburg. Sonderhausen, is the Capital and Residence of the Duke: In the Arsenal there is an Idol about a Yard high, which is hollow, what Metal it is of, no Body knows. At the Crown of its Head is a Hole, when filled with Water, stopped with a Bung, and placed over a Fire, the Idol will sweat prodigiously, the Bung will sty out with a thundering and rattling Noise, and the Water spout from it like Fire, which if it reaches any Wood, will set it in a Flame, and cause a hornible Stench.

2. Anstat, two Miles from Erfurt. In this Town is made the fine Saxon Porcelain.

Qu. Which are the principal Counties in Thu-

I. The County of Mansfield; wherein is, 1. Eifleben, a good City and Castle; the Birth-place of
that Great Reformer Martin Luther, who was born
there the 10th of November, in 1483; where also
he died February the 18th, 1546. 2. Mansfield, the

Capital, a pretty large City.

II. The County of Stalberg. May forward

III. The County of Hobenstein

IV. The County of Gleichen And wines

V. The County of Beichlingen on hand

Qu. Which are the Free, Imperial Cities in Thu-

Ans. 1. Muhlhausen, a large, and populous City. And 2. Northausen, an ancient City.

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IV. Of the Marquisate of MISNIA.

Qu. What is principally to be noted in this Country?

Anf. That it is bleffed with Plenty of every Thing, and is about 80 Miles long, and as many broad.

Qu. Which are the Capital Places therein?

Anf. Its Capital Places are, 1. Drefden, the Electoral Refidence, a large, and rich City. The Houfes are all built of Free-Stone. It is well fortified, and on Account of its many Palaces, is one of the finest Cities in the Roman Empire. 2. Misnia, or Meissen, 12 Miles from Dresden, a City from which the Country derives its Name. 3. Konigstein, a strong Caftle on a Rock, out of which it is cut. Among other Curiofities that this Place affords, there is a Wine Cask large enough for a Family to live in, which holds 584 Hogsheads of Wine. To this Castle are sent the State Prisoners. 4. Mublburg, a small City: Near this Place, in 1730, the late King Augustus made an Encampment, which was 12 Miles in Circumference; formed of 28,000 Men. The King shewed therein the greatest Grandeur and Magnificence that ever was feen on fuch an Occasion; it lasted for a Month, in which Time it was visited by the King of Prussia and many other Princes, and Persons of Distinction. 5. Leypzick, a fine City, where are kept the greatest Fairs in Europe, if not in

Qu. Who is the present Elector of Saxony?

Ans. Frederick Augustus, born October the 7th, 1696; who succeeded his Father as King of Poland in 1733.

V. The Electorate of BRANDENBURG.

Qu. How is the Electorate of Brandenburg di-

Ans. Into five Parts, 1. The Old Marquisate.
2. The Priegnitz. 3. The Middle Marquisate. 4. The Upper Marquisate. And 5. The New Marquisate.

Qu. Which are the most noted Places in the Old

Marquifate?

Ans. 1. Stendel, the Capital. 2. Saltz-wedel. And 3. Tangermunde.

Qu. Which are the most noted Places in the

Priegnitz?

Ans. 1. Perlberg, the Capital. And 2. Havel-

Qu. What are those in the Middle Marquisate?

Ans. 1. Berlin, one of the finest and largest Cities in all Germany; well fortified, populous, and the Residence of the King of Prussia. 2. Brandenburg, a large City. 3. Frankfort on the Oder, where is an University. 4. Spandaw, a strong Fortification. 5. Oranienburg and Potsdam, both Royal Palaces.

Qu. What are the most noted Places in the Upper

Marquifate?

Ans. 1. Prenslow, a City. 2. Templin, a City. And 3. Gramzow, very much enlarged by the French Refugees.

Qu. What are the chief Places in the New Mar.

quisate?

Ans. 1. Custrin, an important Fortification on the River Oder. And 2. Sonneburg, a fmall, but well built City and Castle. And 3. Soldin, a well built City.

Qu. What is the established Religion of the Mar-

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quisate of Brandenburg?

Anf. All the Inhabitants are either Lutherans, or Calvinists.

VI. Of the Dukedom of Pomerania.

Qu. How is Pomerania divided?

Anf. Into the Swedish and Brandenburg Pomera.

Qu. Which are the Principal Places in the Sur

dish Pomerania?

Ans. 1. Stralfund, a trading City and Harbour near the Baltick. 2. Gripswald, a well fortifie Town, and University. 3. Gustrow. 4. Wolgast a Town, Castle, and an Harbour. 5. The Islan of Rugen, in which is Bergen, a small Town an Castle.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in the Bran

denburg Pomerania?

Ans. 1. Stetin, the Capital City, and a strong Fortification. 2. Ancklam, a large, and well fortifie City. × 3. The Island Usedom, which has a Town the same Name, and two Forts that command the Harbour. This was built in the room of Vinet formerly a large, and wealthy City, but by an la undation it was covered with Water. In clear We ther the Houses and Streets are still plainly see 4. Stargart, a large Town. 5. Camin. 6. Cand - berg, a strong Fortification. 7. Rugenwald. 8. Stoly 9. Lawenburg. And 10. Butow.

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Of the Circle of FRANCONIA.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Circle of

Franconia ?

Ans. 1. That it lies in the Heart, or Centre of the Roman Empire; that it is about 120 Miles long, and of the fame Extent in Breadth; it is a populous, and fruitful Country. A great Number of Franks went out of this Country in the Year 419, and fettled in Gallia, now the Kingdom of France.

Qu. How is this Circle divided?

Ans. Into three States. 1. The Ecclesiastical State. 2. The Secular State. And 3. The Imperial Free Cities.

Qu. Which is the Ecclefiastical State?
Ans. I. The Territories of the Teutonic Order, wherein is Margentheim, the Capital and Residence f the Grand Mafter; the other States belonging to hat Order, are dispersed up and down the Country.

II. The Bishoprick of Bamberg; wherein is, 1. Bamberg, the Capital. This City lies in a pleafant ituation, and was formerly enclosed with a Wall, ut the Inhabitants, on Account of the rude Behaiour to their Bishop, in 1435, were condemned at ne Council of Bafil, to raze the Walls, and never o rebuild them. 2. Forchbime, a City, Castle, and ortification. And 3. Cronach, a strong Castle.

III. The Bishoprick of Wurtzburg; wherein is, . Wurtzburg, the Capital, with a good Fortificaon, and a Stone Bridge over the River Main. Ochsenfurt, a middling City. And 3. Kitzengen,

ad several other Towns of less Note.

IV. The Bishoprick of Aichstat wherein is, 1. Aich. stat, the Capital, which sies in a Valley. 2. Wal. persburg, the ordinary Residence of the Bishop, which lies 2 Miles from Aichftat on an Hill.

Qu. Which are the Secular Dominions in the Circle of Franconia

Ans. I. The Marquisate of Nurinberg; wherein is 1. Nurinberg, the Capital, a Free Imperial City. This Marquifate belongs to feveral Branches of the

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House of Brandenburg.

II. The Marquifate of Bareith; wherein is, 1. Bareith, the Capital and Residence of the Marquis. 2. Culmbach, a City, well fortified. 3. Hoff, a fine City. 4. Wonfidel. 5. Newstadt. And 6. Erlang, a fmall City; but the French Refugees have built a Town near it, called New-Erlang, and made it a Place of good Trade.

III. The Marquisate of Anspach; wherein is, 1. Anspach, the Capital and Residence. And 2. Swabach, a flourishing and trading City; the French Refugees have erected here several Manufacturies.

IV. The Ducal County of Henneberg. County is divided into feveral Territories, which belong to different Houses, viz. 1. The House of Saxe Weymar. 2. The House of Saxe Eysenach.
3. The House of Saxe Meiningen. 4. The House of Saxe Gotha. 5. The Prince of Heffe Caffel. And 6. The House of Saxe Zeitz.

V. The Dutchy of Coburg. This Dutchy is about 32 Miles long, and 16 broad; it is by fome Geogra phers placed in the Circle of Franconia; but in rea lity it belongs to the Circle of Upper Saxony; it being joined to the House of Saxony by Marriage.

It is divided into two Branches, between the Duk

of Coburg and the Duke of Hildburghausen.

To the Duke of Coburg belongs Coburg, the Ca pital of the whole Dutchy, and the Duke's Refi dence

dence. In the Citadel are old Archives, wherein are preserved many important Instructions relating to the History of the Reformation. There are, besides

this, feveral other small Towns.

To the Duke of Hildburghausen belongs, 1. Hild-burghausen, a City, with a fine Castle, the Residence of the Duke; it is a grand Building, according to the Modern Taste, with Free Stone. 2. Hold-burg, a small City, with a fine Castle, and several other Towns of less Note.

VI. The Dutchy of Schwartzenberg.

The Estates belonging to the Duke of Schwartzenberg are dispersed, some in Franconia, others in Bohemia, and some in Austria, Swabia, and in Westphalia. Schwartzenberg, is a Castle, and the Seat of the Family.

VII. The several Earldoms, or Counties of the Circle of Franconia: 1. Castel. 2. Dernbach. 3. Erpach. 4. Geyer. 5. Giech. 6. Grevenitz. 7. Hohenlohe. 8. Limpurg. 9. Nostitz and Reineck. 10. Schoenborn.

11. Wertheim. And 12. Windischgratz.

Qu. Which are the Free Imperial Cities?

Ans. 1. Nurinberg, one of the finest Cities in Germany, famous on Account of the ingenious Toys that are made there, and carried throughout all Europe, and other Parts of the World. Here are kept the Ensigns of the Empire, with the Imperial Crown, Scepter, Globe, Tunick, &c. which are used at the Emperor's Coronation. The Magistrates are of the Lutheran Church, as are also most of the Inhabitants.

2. Swinefurt.

3. Rotenburg.

4. Weissenburg. And 5. Windsheim.

VII.

Of the Circle of S W A B I A.

Qu. Which are the Dominions in the Circle of

Ans. Of the Ecclesiastical Divisions there are 23, namely, Two Bishopricks, one Ducal Abbey, two Ducal Prebends, 12 Prelateships, and six Abbeys.

Qu. Which are the two Bishopricks?

Ans. I. The Bishoprick of Augsburg, one of the finest in the Empire. The City of Augsburg is an Imperial Free City: The Bishop's Authority there, reaches no farther than his Palace; he is only sovereign of the Bishoprick, and this is the Reason why he makes his ordinary Residence at Dillinghen,

II. The Bishoprick of Costnitz, wherein is Mer-

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foury, the ordinary Residence of the Bishop.

Qu. Which are the Secular Dominions in the Circle of Swabia?

Anf. They are the following:

I. The Dutchy of WIRTENBURG.

Qu. What is principally to be noted in this Dutchy!

Anf. 1. Stutgart, the ordinary Residence of the reigning Duke. 2. Tubingen, a City, and University. 3. Wirtenburg, an ancient Castle, from whence the Dutchy has its Name. 4. Aurach, a small City. 5. Newstadt. * 6. Weiblingen, a City and Castle This Place was besieged by the Emperor Conrad III and in the Capitulation, the Women were only allowed to take as much as they could carry, and to depart; every one took her Husband on her Back and so marched out of the City. This happened in 1140. 7. Hohentwiel, a Fortisication upon prodigious high Mountain. And 8. Mumpelgard, small, but well fortisied City.

II. The Marquifate of BADEN.

Qu. How is the Marquifate of Baden divided!
Ans. Into Upper and Lower Baden.

Qu. 1. Baden, the Capital of the whole Country, which has its Name from the fine hot Baths. And 2. Rastadt, a small City, with a magnificent Castle, in which the Peace was concluded between the Emperor and France, in 1714.

In Lower Baden are, 1. Durlach, a well built City, with a fine Castle. 2. Carls-Ruhe, a new City, with a Castle, which the Marquis Charles William had built for his Residence. And 3. Phortzheim, a

fine City, with a good Castle.

III. The Dutchy of HOENZOLLERN.

Qu. Which are the chief Places of Hoenzollern?

Ans. Zollern, the Family Seat of the Dukes, from whence the whole Country had its Name. It has a frong Castle on a Hill.

IV. The Dutchy of OETTINGEN.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Dutchy of Dettingen?

Anf. It is about 24 Miles long, and 16 broad.

The principal Place is,

Oettingen, the Capital of the whole Dutchy. One alf of the Inhabitants are Roman Catholicks, and he rest Protestants.

V. The Dutchy of FURSTENBURG.

Qu. What is chiefly to be taken Notice of in the Dutchy of Furstenburg?

Ans. It is about 90 Miles long, but very narrow.

The principal Places therein are,

1. Furstenburg, the Family Seat of the Dukes; it stituted on a Hill, in the Black Forest. 2. Stulinm, 2 City and Castle, bordering upon the Swiss Canton Schaffhausen.

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VI. The Territories of SWABIA, belonging to House of Austria.

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Qu. How many Territories are there in Swabia?

Anf. Eleven, viz. 1. The Territory of Schwaben,

2. The 4 Forest Towns, Rhinfield, Seckingen, Laufenberg, and Waldshut. 3. The Lordship of Nellenberg. 4. The Marquisate of Burgau. 5. Brisque, wherein is Brisach, one of the strongest Fortifications in the World; and Friburg, another strong Fortification. 6. The Territory of Ortenaw. 7. The County of Hohenberg. 8. The County of Montesfrot. 9. Begentz. 10. Veldkirch. And 11. The City of Costnitz, which was formerly a Free City. It is famous on Account of the Council, which is famous on Account of the Flames.

VII. The Territories belonging to the Elector of BAVARIA.

The Dutchy of MINDELHEIM.

Qu. What is chiefly remarkable in the Dutchy of

Mindelheim?

Ans. That it was given by the Emperor to the Duke of Marlborough in 1706; but 10 Years after at the Peace of Rastat, it was again restored to the Elector of Bavaria, to whom it belonged before Mindelheim is the only City therein. The Dutchy contains 70 Villages; it is 16 Miles long, and a many broad.

Qu. Are there any other Territories in the Circle of Swabia, belonging to the Elector of Bavaria?

Ans. Yes, 1. The County of Schwarz and 2. The Lordship of Wissenteig.

Qu. What other Provinces belong to the Circle Swabia?

Ans. Several Imperial Free Counties and Lordhips, viz. The Counties of Oetlingen. 2. Fugger. 3. Gerolsdfeck. 4. Graveneck. 5. The Lordship of justingen. 6. The County of Konigseck. 7. The Ducal House of Lichtenstein. 8. The County of Limpurg. 9. Montfort. 10. Pappenheim. 11. Re-henberg. 12. Sultz. 13. Tanhaufen. 14. Waldurg. With feveral others of leffer Note.

Qu. Which are the Imperial Free Cities in the

Circle of Swabia?

Ans. 1. Augsburg, a fine City, as has been already blerved. Here is made curious Silversmiths Work. The Council House is a most magnificent Building. The Magistracy consists of 45 Members, whereof 3 are Roman Catholicks, and 22 Lutherans. 2. Ulm in the Danube, a Protestant City well fortified. . Nordlingen, a large fortified City. 5. Lindau, is uilt on two Mands in the Boden Sea, 6. Kempten. . Heilbrun, a Protestant City, noted on Account of he Mineral Waters. 8. Uberlingen, formerly the lesidence of the Dukes of Swabia. There are seve-I Free Cities besides of less Note.

VIII.

Of the Circle of the UPPER RHINE.

Qu. Which are the Dominions that lie in the

ircle of the Upper Rhine?

Ans. I. The Bishoprick of Basit. II. The Dutchy Inthelliard. III. Sundgaw. IV. Alface. V. Austrao, or the Lower Palatinate. VI. The Landgraviate Hesse. VII. Catzenelbogen. And VIII. The Wetraw.

I. Qu. What is principally to be observed in the

thoprick of Bafil?

Anf. 1. That is not meant by it the Canton of Basil which belongs to the Swiss, but the Bishoprick which lies near the Canton; and is 24 Miles long, and about 56 in Circumference. And 2. Porentru, which is the best Place, and the Residence of the Bishop.

II. Qu. What is most observable in the Dutchy

of Montbelliard? To shoot

Ans. 1. That it is about 24 Miles long, and a many broad. 2. Montbelliard, the Capital, and a strong Fortification.

III. Qu. How is the Territory of Sundgaw divi-

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Ans. Into Six Bailiwicks, 1. Altkirch. 2. Before, 3. Dann. 4. Thann. 5. Landeser. And 6. Psire. The French acquired this Territory in the Peace of Westphalia.

Qu. What is Alface peculiarly noted for?

Anf. 1. Strasburg, one of the finest Cities of the Empire, now subject to the King of France; who came before it in 1681, with an Army of 60,000 Men, and made himself Master thereof, without firing a Gun. 2. Hagenau, 16 Miles from Strasburg well fortified. 3. Colmar. 4. Schlestat. 5. Weisen burg. 6. Landau, a regular Fortification, which commands all the Lower Palatinate. 7. Munsta 8. Kaysersburg. And 9. Turckhime, all of them Imperial Free Cities.

Qu. What other Governments belong to Alface Anf. 1. The County of Hanau. And 2. The County of Lichtenberg. Besides several other Districts and Towns, among which is Fort-Lewis,

noted and strong Fortification.

V. Qu. What is principally to be taken Notice

of in Austrasia?

Ans. That it has been formerly a powerful Kingdom; but after several Revolutions, it is now about

o Miles long, and 60 broad. It is divided into feeral Provinces and Governments, and is commonly iffinguished by the Name of the Lower Palatinate.

Qu. Which are the principal Provinces belonging

the belt Places and the

oit?

Ans. 1. The Dutchy of Zweybruck, or Deux-Ponts. 2. That of Simmeren. 3. The Principality of Birckensfield. 4. The House of Veldentz. 5. The County of Spanheim. 6. Several Districts of the Counts of the Rhine. 7. Falckenstein. 8. Sarbruck, Chircingen. 10. Biche. 11. Sarwerden. 12. Pfaltzurg. 13. Leiningen. And 4. Wartenberg.

Qu. Which are the Bishopricks in the Lower

Palatinate?

Ans. 1. The Bishoprick of Worms; the Capital Worms, a Free City, famous for the Imperial Diets that have been kept there, and in particular hat in 1521, at which Luther was summoned and ppeared. And 2. The Bishoprick of Spiers, has piers for the Capital, which is also a Free Imperial lity.

VI. Qu. How is Heffe divided?

Ans. Into Lower and Upper Hesse.

Qu. What is principally to be observed in Lower

Heffe?

Ans. 1. Cassel, the Capital of the whole Country, and the Residence of the eldest Landgrave. It is a me, rich, and strong City. The Cassel for its Structure, Prospect, and rich Apartments, is admirable. Grebenstein. 3. Geismar. 4. Hirschfield. 5. Hommurg. And 6. Ziegenheim.

Qu. Which are the most noted Places in Upper

lesse?

Ans. 1. Marpurg, the Capital, well fortified by it and Nature. Here is a famous University. Giessen, a well fortified City, with a good Arsenal,

and an University. And 3. Homburg, a small City, and Caftle on a Hill.

VII. Qu. How is the County of Catzenelbogen

divided ?

Ans. Into the Upper and Lower Part.

Qu. What are the most noted Places in the Upper Part of that Country?

Ans. Darmstat, which is the Residence of the

Landgrave of the Lutheran Perfuasion.

Qu. Which are the chief Places in the Lower

Part?

Ans. 1. Catzenelbogen, a small City, with a strong Castle. 2. Rheinfelds, a strong Fortification on a high Rock. This Place commands the Rhine; and all the Vessels that pass by pay Toll.

VIII. Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in the

Wetteraw?

Ans. The Wetteraw is a Diffrict of about 48 Miles square; and is divided into several Territorics which belong to different Princes, Earls, and Prelates.

Qu. Who are they?

Ans. 1. The Elector of Mentz. 2. The Elector of Trier. 3. Hessen-Darmstat. 4. Hessen-Homburg. 5. The House of Nassau. 6. Nossau Siegen. 7. Nasfau Dillenburg. 8. Nassau Dietz. 9. Nassau Usingen. 10. Nassau Idstein. 11. Nassau Wileburg. And 12. Nasfau Schaumburg.

Qu. Which are the Earls that have Part of the

Wetteraw?

Ans. 1. The Earls of Waldeck. 2. Of Solms. And 3. Of Upper Isenburg, and several others.

Qu. Is there no Spiritual Territory in the Wette-

raw?

Anf. Yes, the Abbot of Fulden has a large Territory; and at Fulden, his Residence, there is a fine Library,

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Library, wherein are preferved many curious Manuscripts.

Qu. Which are the free Imperial Cities in the

Wetteraw?

Ans. KI. Frankfort, on the Main, which is a great and flourishing City. Here is kept the Golden Bull, or the Book which contains the Fundamental Laws of the Empire. This City has the Honour of the Emperor's being elected in it. 2. Wetzlar. 3. Gellenhausen. And 4. Frideburg.

Of the Circle of WESTPHALIA.

Qu. Of what Extent are the Dominions of the Circle of Westphalia, and which be they?

This Circle is from Roth to South 280 Miles. and from Cast to West about 200, and contains the

following Dominions.

I. The Bishoprick of Liege, wherein is Liege, the Capital of that Country; is a large, populous, and wealthy City; the Meuse divides it into three Parts. which are joined together again by feveral Bridges.

II. The Bishoprick of Munster, wherein is Munfer, the Capital, a large and fortified City. This Place will be always famous in History, on Account of John Bockolt, who in 1533, used his utmost Endeavour to establish an Anabaptist Monarchy. It is also noted on Account of the Peace, which in 1648, was concluded between the Empire and France.

III. The Bishoprick of Osnabrug, which is diviled into 7 Territories. The principal City is Ofnarug, famous for the Peace in 1648, it is large, and burishing. There is a Castle called Petersburg, in which the Bishop resides. In this City are three

Convents

Convents for Monks, and 5 for Nuns, 2 Roman Catholick and 2 Lutheran Capital Churches. In the Country are 32 Roman Catholick and 20 Lutheran Churches.

IV. The Bishoprick of Paderborn, wherein is Paderborn, the Capital, a large City, and an University.

Qu. Which are the Temporal Deminions in the

Circle of Welphalia?) sort and and hall

Ans. They are distinguished under the several Titles of Dukedoms, Counties, and Free Cities.

Qu. Which are the Dukedoms?

Ans. I. The Dutchy of Juliers, which belongs to the Elector Palatine. Juliers, the Capital, is well fortified, and has a Citadel.

II. The Dutchy of Cleves, which belongs to the

King of Pruffia, wherein Cleve is the Capital.

III. The Dutchy of Bergen, which belongs to the Elector of Palatine; in it is Duffeldorp, the Capital, and Electoral Residence.

IV. The Dutchy of Verden, has Verden for its

Capital, belongs to the King of Great-Britain.

V. The Dutchy of Minden belongs to the King of Prussia, which has Minden for its Capital, and is well fortified.

VI. The Dutchy of East-Friezland, which is distinguished by that Name from West-Friezland belonging to Holland. It has its own Prince. The Capital is Embden, which would never be subject to the Prince, but for its Defence took in a Dutch Garrison.

VII. Aurich, which is the Prince's Residence.

VIII. The Dutchy of Meurs, which belongs to the King of Prussia, has Meurs for its Capital; it is a well fortified City, and has a Citadel. And

IX. The Dutchy of Engern. The Capital City is Engern, and belongs to the King of Pruffia.

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Qu. Which are the Counties of the Circle of Weltphalia? A Capital Charles and a Lutheran Capital Charles

Anf. 1. Passenheim. 2. Bentheim. 3. Bronchroft.
4. Diephold. 5. Hoya. 6. Lingen. 7. Lippe. 8. Mandershite. 9. Mark. 10. Metternick. 11. Mullendonk.
12. Nettelred. 13. Oldenburg. 14. Pyrmont. 15. Ravensberg. 16. Ravestein. 17. Reckheim. 18. Rietberg. 19. Schowenburg. And 20. Spiegleberg.

Qu. Which are the Free Cities in Westphalia?

Ans. 1. Aken, or Aix la Chapelle, a large, and fine City, formerly the Residence of Charles the Great. It is famous on Account of the Baths. 2. Cologn, one of the largest Cities in Germany. 3. Dortmund, a fine, large, and well fortisted City.

the Dutchy of Chike, which belongs

Of the Circle of Lower SAXONY.

Qu. Which are the Countries that are in the Circle of Lower Saxony?

Ans. To begin from North to South and to take each Division in its Order, we must begin with,

I. The Dutchy of BREMEN.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in this Dutchy?
Ans. Bremen, the Capital of the whole Country, which is to this Day a Free Imperial City, and one of the Hanse Towns.

Qu. How is the Dutchy of Bremen divided?

Ans. Into 12 several Districts. The principal Towns in them are, 1. Stade, a good Fortification, and 2. Buxtehude, another fortified Town, besides many other Places of less Note.

Qu. To whom belongs the Dutchy of Bremen?

Ans. To the King of Great-Britain, as Elector of Hanover, who took Possession thereof, by a Treaty signed at Stockholm, July the 28, 1729.

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II. Of the Dutchies of SLESWICK, and HOLSTEIN.

Qu. What is most remarkable in these Dutchies? Ans. They were both united in 1533, by a strict Alliance. Sleswick does not belong to the Roman Empire, but is a Sovereignty, or Principality, belonging to the King of Denmark, who, since the Year 1720, has it wholly in his Possession, notwithstanding the Protestation of the House of Holstein Gottorp, who claims several fine Territories in it; of which more under the Article of Sleswick after Denmark.

III. Of HOLSTEIN.

Qu. What is most observable in the Dutchy of

Holftein ?

Ans. 1. That some Parts thereof belong to the King of Denmark, and some to the Duke of Holstein Gottorp.

Qu. Which Parts belong to the King of Denmark,

and which to the Duke?

Anf. This Dutchy is divided into Four principal Territories, viz. 1. Holstein. 2. Dithmarse. 3. Stor-

marn. And 4. Wagria.

I. The King has in Holstein, Rensburg, a City of Trade, and well fortified. The Duke has Kiel, a pleasant City and Castle, wherein the present Duke resides, since Gottorp came into the Possession of Denmark. Here is an University, and a samous Fair.

II. In the Territory of Dithmarse, the King has the Southern Parts, and the Duke the Northern.

III. In the Territory of Stormarn, the King has the Division of Steinburg, wherein is Gluckstat, a fine City, and several other Towns. In the Division of Segberg, the Duke has the Territories of 1. Tremsbuttle. 2. Trittow. 3. Rheinbeck, and 4. Steinborz. IV.

IV. In Wagria, the King has the Division of, segebert. 2. Rantrow, &c.

The Duke has I. Lutkenborger. 2. Oldenburg.

2. Cifmar, and 4. Newstat.

Qu. How large is the Dutchy of Holstein?

Ans. In Length it contains 64 Miles, and in Breadth 96.

IV. Of the Dukedom of PLOEN.

Qu. What is the Situation and Extent of the

Dukedom of Ploen?

Ans. It lies between Kiel and Lubeck, is about 24 Miles long, and 16 broad: Ploen is the Capital, and Residence of the Duke.

V. Of the Bishoprick of LUBECK.

Qu. What is this Bishoprick peculiarly noted for?

Ans. That the Bishop, who is a Lutheran, has his Chapter and Cathedral in the City of Lubeck, but resides at Eutyn; he is commonly stil'd Bishop of Eutyn.

VI. Of MECKLENBURG.

Qu. What is most remarkable in this Country?

Ans. I. That it is fruitful, and about 60 Miles long, and 20 broad. II. It is divided into seven Territories. 1. Mecklenburg. 2. Wenden. 3. The Dutchy of Schwerin. 4. Ratzeburg. 5. The County of Schwerin. 6. The Lordship of Rostock. And 7. The Lordship of Stargard.

Qu. Which are the Places of most Note in these

Territories?

Anf. 1. Mecklenburg, once a City of 8 German Miles in Circumference, but raz'd in 1163: It is now only a Market Town. 2. Gadebusch, a small City. 3. Wismar, a fine large City. 4. Gustrow, a pretty large City. 5. Parchim, a City near the G 2

Elbe. 6. Grabow, a City. 7. Domitz, a Fortification. 8. Buzow. 9. Ratzeburg. 10. Schwerin, 11. Roftock. And 12. Strelitz.

VII. Of the Dutchy of SAXE-LAWENBURG.

Qu. What is this Country peculiarly noted for?

Ans. That it is a small Dukedom, about 80 Miles long, and in some Parts but 8 or 12 broad; it belongs to the House of Hanover.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Dutchy! Ans. 1. Lawenburg, a City and Castle, formerly the Residence of the Dukes. And 2. Ratzeburg,

Newhouse, and several others.

VIII. Of the Electorate of BRUNSWICK-LUNENBURG.

Qu. What is most observable in the Electorate of Brunswick-Lunenburg?

Anf. That it is divided into three Territories, viz.

Zell, Calemberg, and Grubenhagen.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in it?

Anf. I. In the Territory of Zell is, 1. Lunenburg, the Capital, a large, and well fortified City. The Church of St. Michael has been famous on Account of the Golden Fable, which is placed before the Great Altar. This Table is of pure Arabian Gold, 8 Foot long, and 4 Foot wide. It was by the Emperor Otho prefented to the Church, after he had gained it by the Dint of Arms from the Saracens in Italy. The Rim was embellished with precious Stones of immense Value, and on the Table were chased in 3 Rows, several Histories of the Bible. In the Year 1698, the Table was stripped of great Part of the Jewels by a Gang of Thieves, who took from it 200 Rubies and Emeralds, together with a large Diamond.

Diamond. In this City is also a rich Salt-Pit, which was discovered about 700 Years ago, by a Sow, wallowing in that Place, and drying herfelf in the Sun, so that she was found covered with fine white Salt. This Creature is still shewn, preserved in a Glass Chest. 2. Bardewyck, which was formerly a large, rich, and powerful trading City, but the Inhabitants revolting against their Sovereign, it was in 1189 befieged, stormed, and all were put to the Sword; the City was razed, and not one Stone was left upon another. The few Inhabitants which escaped the Fury of the Soldiery, removed the Stones to that Place, which now is the City of Lunenburg. Of all the Churches, none was preferved but the Cathedral, which still has a Super-Intendent; but the District about it is transformed into Kitchen Gardens. 3. Harburg, near the Elbe, a small City. And 4. Zell, a well built City, which has been Time out of Mind the Residence of the former Dukes.

II. In the Territory of Calemberg are, 1. Hansver, the Residence of the Electors. This City is large, populous, and well fortified. 2. Herenhausen, not far from Hanover, is a Royal Pleasure-House, and Gardens: The Water-Works, confifting of Cafcades and Fountains, with other Decorations, are too many to be here specified. 3. Hameln, a famous The City: In 1284, a Rat-Catcher, freed this City from those Vermin, by playing on a Whiftle, and thereby enticing them to follow him out of the Gate into the River, where they were drowned. The Rat-Catcher demanding his Fee of the Inhabitants was denied it; in Revenge he tuned his Pipe again, and 130 Children followed him, that were never heard of fince. This is a Tradition the Inhabitants firmly believe, and they date their Deeds, & not from the Birth of Christ, but from the Time of the Departure of their .HI Rubies and Emeralds, rogement winerblid?

III. In the Dutchy of Grubenhagen are, r. Einbeck, the Capital. 2. Ofterode, a City; near which are Mines of Alabaster and Iron. And 3. Shartzfeld, an old Castle, which lies on a very high Rock; near it is a Stone Tower, and a wonderful Cave, wherein are several strange Figures, occasioned by the dropping of a Water, which petrifies.

Qu. Who is of this Family besides, and what Places else belong to the House of Brunswick-Lu-

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Ans. The Duke of Wolfenbuttle, who resides at Wolfenbuttle, the capital City of that Dutchy. It is well fortished. Here is an incomparable Library, wherein are above 116,000 Volumes of printed Books, and above 2000 Manuscripts; as also an Academy, and Museum. 2. Brunswick, a large, and well fortished City. This was a rich and powerful Hanse Town, which maintained its Freedom till 1671, when by Force it was obliged to surrender to Duke Radolph Augustus; who had a Medal struck on this Occasion, with an Inscription on one Side, from 1 Maccab. xv. 33, 34. and over it were these Words, Jure & Armis, i. e. By Right and Arms.

IX. Of the Bishoprick of HILDESHEIM.

Qu. What is this Bishoprick principally noted for?
Ans. 1. That it is between 40 and 50 Miles long, and from 32 to 40 broad. It lies between Hanover, Lunenburg, and Brunswick. 2. That it is the only Roman Catholick Country in all Lower Saxony. And 3. Hildesheim is the capital City, but not altogether subject to the Bishop; most Part thereof being under the Protection of the House of Brunswick-Lunenburg.

X. Of the Dutchy of MAGDEBURG.

Qu. What is most observable in this Dutchy?

Ans. 1. That it is 80 Miles long, and 28 broad.
2. That it belongs to the King of Prussia. Magdeburg, the Capital. There is also Halle, a famous City and University.

XI. Of the Dutchy of Halberstadt.

Qu. What is chiefly observable in the Dutchy of

Halber stadt ?

Anf. That it is from East to West 32 Miles, and from South to North 24, and belongs to the King of Prussia. 1. Halberstadt, the capital City. And 2. Ofterwyck, a middling City.

XII. Of the Imperial Free Cities in Lower-

Qu. Which are the Imperial Free Cities in Lower-

Saxony ?

Ans. I. Lubeck, a fine, large, wealthy, well built, and well fortified Imperial Free City. It was the Capital of the Hanse Towns, and is still so among

the remaining Shadows of them.

II. Hamburg, which is one of the largest Cities in Germany, and a Place of great Commerce. Many Hamborough Ships sail for Spain, Portugal, France, England, Denmark, Sweden, Archangel, and to Greenland, for the Whale Fishery; and Ships of all other Nations come into their Harbour. This City is one of the remaining Hanse Towns.

III. Bremen, is a large, rich, and well fortified City, fituate on the Weser, which divides it into the Old and New Town. This is the third of the re-

maining Hanse Towns. Hom

IV. Gostar; this City lies in the Heart of the Brunswick Territories. It has been sometimes the Residence of the Roman Emperors; it is large, well built, and surrounded with rich Mines.

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Qu. What is meant by the Hanse Towns?

Ans. The Name has its Derivation from In Set, or Neer-Sea, because most of them were Sea Port Towns.

The Number of them is uncertain, nor can it be well calculated, fince at fometimes they were more, and at other Times less; but there were about 80 of them.

They were divided into 4 Classes, viz. 1. The Wenden. 2. The Westphalian. 3. The Saxon. And 4. The Prussian Classes. The Capital of the Wenden was Lubeck; of the Westphalian, Cologn; of the Saxon, Brunswick; and of the Prussian, Dantzick.

They had four chief Factories, 1. At London in England. 2. At Bruges in Flanders. 3. At Newgard in Russia. And 4. At Bergen in Norway. At Lubeck was the Head Directorship, where was kept the general Cash; as also their Charter and Privileges. Matters of Importance were deliberated and dispatched there.

This Alliance of the Hanse Towns continued for above 300 Years, and arrived to that Power, that the Northern Princes stood in Awe of them; but fince, it is quite dwindled away, so that at present there is only a Shadow thereof left in the 3 Cities, which were the first Establishers thereof, viz. Lu-

beck, Hamburg and Bremen.

Qu. What are the principal Rivers in Germany?

Anf. 1. The Donaw, or Danube, which flows from West to East, and falls into the Euxine Sea.

2. The Rhine, which flows on the West. 3. The Main, which is in the middle, and flows towards the West, where it falls into the Rhine. And 4. The Weser, which slows by the Netherlands towards the North into the North Sea. 5. The Elbe, which flows into the same Sea. And 6. The Oder, which falls into the Baltick.

Qu. Which are the most famous Universities in

Anf. Of the Lutheran, or Augsburg Confession are thirteen, 1. Of Leypsick, which was translated thither from Prague, 1709. 2. Of Wirtemberg. 3. Of Hall. 4. Of Helmstadt. 5. Of Jena. 6. Of Erfurt. 7. Of Rinteln. 8. Of Giessen. 9. Of Tubingen. 10. Of Alterf. 11. Of Kiel. 12. Of Rostock. And 13. Of Grypswalde.

Of the Reformed are four, 1. Of Frankfort, on the Oder. 2. Of Heidelberg. 3. Of Marburg. And

4. Of Duisburg.

Of the Roman Catholicks are seven, 1. Of Vienna. 2. Ingolftadt. 3. Dillengen, 4. Wurtzburg. 5. Mentz. 6. Cologn. And 7. Paderborn.

Qu. What is the general Product of Germany?

Anf. It is a Country that abounds with Corn,
Wine, Wood, Salt, and other such like Provisions.

It has rich Mines, fine Forests, large Rivers, and
many hot and cold Baths, and some mineral Waters.

Qu. Why is the Government thus mixed?

Ans. Because of the many different Princes and

Sovereigns which belong to it: As,

the the original Rivers in German Commercial Commercial Commercial of Deputer with the

1. The Emperor. 2. The Electors. 3. The Dukes. 4. The Counts. 5. The Lords. 6. The Knights. 7. The Imperial Free Cities. 8. Archbishops. 9. Bishops. 10. Prelates. And 11. Abbots.

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Ans. Four Countries, I. The Kingdom of Bohemia,

mia. II. The Dutchy of Silesia. III. The Marquifate of Moravia. And IV. The Marquifate of Lusatia.

I. Of the Kingdom of BOHEMIA.

Qu. How is the Kingdom of Bohemia lituated?

Ans. Mest it borders upon Franconia, and the Upper Palatinate; Esst upon Silesia and Moravia; South upon Bavaria and Austria; and Roth upon Misnia and Lusatia.

Qu. How large is this Kingdom?

Ans. From South to North it is 180 Miles, and from West to East 140.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. Into 18 Circles. Qu. Which are they?

I. Anf. The Circle of Prague, which is in the Heart of the Kingdom, one of the largest, finest, and most populous Cities in Europe: It is 12 Miles in Circumference; in it are above 100 Churches, and as many Palaces. The Moldaw slows through the middle of the City, over which is a stately Stone Bridge. The Jews, who are reckoned 50,000 in Number, have in their Quarter of Synagogues. Here is an Archbishop's See, and an University. The Cathedral is within the Royal Palace.

Qu. Which is the fecond Circle of Bohemia?

Ans. Caurzim, which lies between the Elbe, and the Moldaw. Caurzim is the principal City.

Qu. Which are the rest of the Circles?

III. Ans. The Moldaw Circle, wherein is Sedle-

IV. The Beraun Circle, wherein is 1. Beraun, 3 royal Free City; and 2. Carlestein, once a famous Castle, where the Regalia of the Crown were kept, but is now in a ruinous Condition.

V. The Raconick Circle; in it is Raconick, the

Capital, and a Free City.

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VI. The Slaner Circle, in which is Slany, the

Principal Town or Caftle.

VII. The Buntzler Circle, wherein is 1. Old Buntzler, in which St. Wencistaus was murdered by his Brother Bolestaus, in 938. The Blood is still shewn to Travellers against the Wall.

VIII. The Litomeritz Circle, which has Litome-

ritz for its chief City, and is also a Bishop's See.

IX. The Satzer Circle, which has r. Satz, for

IX. The Satzer Circle, which has t. Satz, for the Capital, a pretty large City. 2. Gadan, a fine Royal City. 3. Cometau, a populous Town. And 4. Luditz, a City and Castle.

X. The Circle of Ellenbogen, wherein is, 1. Ellenbogen, a City and strong Castle. 2. Carlfbad, a Royal

City, famous on Account of the hot Baths.

XI. The Egraner Circle, wherein is Eger, the principal City, where are mineral Waters of great Virtue.

XII. The Pilsener Circle, has Pilsen for its Ca-

pital, a Royal, Free City, well fortified.

XIII. The Prachenser Circle, wherein is, 1. Piseck. And 2. Strakonitz, a Residence of the great Prior of Malta; the Knights thereof have fine Estates in that Part of the Kingdom. In this Circle is a Pearl Fishery.

XIV. The Bechiner Circle; wherein is 1. Bechin, a City and Castle. And 2. Budweis, a large and well

fortified City.

XV. The Czaslaw Circle, wherein is 1. Czaslaw, the Capital City. And 2. Kuttenburg, wherein is the

richest Silver Mine in the whole Kingdom.

XVI. The Chrudimer Circle; in it is, 1. Chrudim, the Capital; a well built and Royal City. And 2. Pardubitz, a Royal City, where is a Steeple with a gilded Spire.

XVII. The Circle of Konninggretz, has a City of

the same Name, is large, and well fortified.

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XVIII. The Country of Glatz, which has a Governor, as the other Circles, and the Capital thereof is Glatz: It is well fortified with the

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Bohemia?

Anf. The largest Rivers that pass through Bohemia are, 1. The Elbe, which has its Source in the Buntzler Circle. 2. The Moldaw, which unites itself to the Elbe. And 3. The Eger, which has its Spring in Franconia.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of this

Country in general?

Ans. The Land is very fruitful; it produces Com in Plenty, and the whole Kingdom would be furnished sufficiently with what only grows in the Satzer Circle. By this it may be judged what Quantities of Corn is fent out of the Country. The Rivers are flored with Fish, the Woods with wild Fowl, Deer, and wild Boars; and the Pasture Grounds are covered with tame Cattle. In the Mines are found Gold, Silver, Copper, Iron, and Tin; also precious Stones, Diamonds, Amethists, Rubies, &c.

Qu. What is the Religion of this Kingdom? Ans. The Inhabitants are all Roman Catholicks.

II. Of SILESIA.

Qu. How is the Dukedom of Silesia situated? Ans. Eastwards it borders upon Poland; Westwards upon Lusatia and Bohemia; Southwards upon Moravia and Hungaria; and Northwards upon the Electorate of Brandenburg.

Qu. How large is this Country?

Ans. The Length from South to North is 240 Miles, and the Breadth from East to West about 80.

Qu. In what Manner is it divided? Ans. Into Upper and Lower Silesia.

Upper Silefia contains Seven Dutchies, I. Munsterberg. II. Grotkaw, or Neisse. III. Jagerndorf. dorf. IV. Troppaw. V. Oppelen. VI. Ratibor. And

VII. Teschen; besides two Lordships.

Lower Silesia contains ten Dutchies, viz. I. Breslaw. II. Lignitz. III. Javer. IV. Schweidnitz. V. Brieg. VI. Oels. VII. Wolaw. VIII. Glogaw. IX. Sagan. And X. Crossen; besides four Lordships.

I. What is remarkable in the Dutchy of Breslaw?

Ans. Breslaw, the Capital of all Silesia, a large, and well built City: It is reckoned one of the three most beautiful Cities in the Empire. It is surrounded with high and strong Walls. The Magistrates are

Lutherans, and so are most of the Inhabitants.
II. Qu. What is remarkable in the Lignitz?

Ans. Lignitz, the Capital, an ancient City: It is well built, and stands in a pleasant Prospect.

III. Qu. What is most remarkable in fawer?

Ans. 1. The City Juwer, 32 Miles from Breslaw; the Inhabitants are a trading People. Here is a fine Castle, which is the Residence of the Governour. And 2. Hirshberg, a small, but well built City.

IV. Qu. What is most observable in Schweidnitz?

Ans. Schweidnitz the Capital, next to Breslaw, is the finest City in Silesia. The Magistrates are Roman Catholicks, but the Inhabitants are Protestants.

V. Qu. What is most remarkable in the rest of

the Dutchies in Lower Silefia?

Ans. In the Dutchy of Brieg is, 1. Brieg, the Capital. It is a very fine City, and well fortified. 2. Streelen, a pleasant City, where is also a Castle.

VI. In the Dutchy of Oelfe, is Oelfe the Capital,

with a Ducal Castle.

VII. In the Dutchy of Wolaw, is Wolaw the Capital; it is well fortified by Art and Nature.

VIII. In Glogaw, is Glogaw, a fmall City, and Royal Fortification upon the Frontiers of Poland.

IX. In the Dutchy of Sagan, is Sagan, the Capital,

pital, pretty large, and well fortified: There is a

fine Castle, the Residence of the Duke.

X. The Dutchy of Crossen borders upon Brandenburg, and belongs to the King of Prussia. It has Crossen for its Capital, which is a well fortified City. Qu. What is principally to be taken Notice of in

Upper Silefia ?

I. Ans. In the Dutchy of Munsterberg, is Mun-

sterberg, the Capital, a pretty large City.

II. In the Dutchy of Grotkaw, is 1. Neisse, a very fine City; it is well fortified with strong Walls, and deep Ditches. And 2. Grotkaw, which is a well built City; it has fine Churches, and is pleasantly situated.

III. The Dutchy of fagerndorff, which belongs to the House of Litchtenstein, wherein is fagerndorff, the principal City and Residence of the Family.

IV. In the Dutchy of Troppaw is Troppaw, the

Capital, and the best City in Upper Silesia.

V. The Dutchy of Oppelen, which is the largest

of all; Oppelen is the Capital.

VI. The Dutchy of Ratibor, wherein is Ratibor, a well fituated City, encompassed with good Walls.

VII. The Dutchy of Teschen, which borders up-

on Poland; Teschen is the Capital.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Silesia?

Ans. There is but one River in Silesia, which is the Oder; it has its Source in Moravia, and empties itself, after it has pass'd through Brandenburg and Pomerania, into the Baltick.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of this Coun-

try in general?

Anf. It is bleffed with Plenty of Corn, and every Necessary of Life: It is well peopled, and some Geographers compute it to contain 100 Cities, 352 Market Towns, 4000 Noblemens Seats, 41,618 Villages,

Villages. There are several Mines of Gold, Silver, and other Metals, but they are much neglected.

Up and down the Country are found Diamonds,

Rubies, Hyacinths, and other precious Stones.

III. Of MORAVIA.

Qu. How is the Marquifate of Moravia bounded? Ans. South upon Austria and Hungary; Rosth upon Silefia; Cast upon Poland; West upon Bohemia.

Qu. How large is this Country?

Anf. It is 120 Miles long, and 80 broad.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. Into Six Circles, viz.
I. Olmutz. II. Brin. III. Iglaw. IV. Znaim. V. Hradisch. And VI. Preraw.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in each

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Ans. I. In the Circle of Olmutz, is Olmutz, the principal Town; which is populous, and well fortified. Here is also an University and a Bishop's Sec.

II. In the Brinner Circle are, 1. Brin, the Capital, and a regular Fortification. 2. Nicholfburg, a

City on the Frontiers of Auftria.

III. The Iglawer Circle has, 1. Iglaw, where is a woollen Manufacture. 2. Polna, a well-built City.

IV. The Znaimer Circle, which has Znaim, an opulent City: This was the Residence of the ancient Marquises; and the Place affords a great Variety of Heathen Antiquities.

V. In the Hradisch Circle is Hradisch, a large

City, and Fortification towards Poland.

VI. The Preraw Circle, which has 1. Preraw for the principal City. 2. Kosel, is a Village, near which is the Spring of the River Oder.

Qu. What is the Religion of this Country?

Anf. In the Ninth Century Cyrillus and Metrodius, two very pious Men, first planted Christianity in this Place; and the Inhabitants are now all Roman Catholicks. The Bishop of Olmutz is Metropolitan of all Moravia. W day beflired

Qu. What is the State, or Condition of this Coun-

Ans. It is very well cultivated, and furnishes the Inhabitants with good Pasture for their Cattle, of which they have Plenty of The Country is well peo. pled, and there are, according to some Geographers, 110 Cities, 440 Market-Towns, 500 Castles, and 30,360 Villages.

Qu. What are the Revenues of this Country?

Anf. When the Kingdom of Bohemia Crown. brings to the Emperor - 533,333 Silefia pays - - - - - - - - - 400,000 And Moravia for itself - - - 266,666

IV. Of the Marquifate of LUSATIA.

Qu. Where lies the Marquifate of Lusatia? Ans. Between the River Elbe, and the River Oder: And borders Cast upon Silefia; Mest upon Saxony South on Bohemia; Roth on the Electorate of Brandenburg.

Qu. How large is this Country?

Ans. It is about 80 Miles long, and 70 broad.

Qu. How is it divided?

Ans. Into the Upper, and Lower Lusatia.

I. Of the Upper Lusatia.

Qu. Which are the principal Cities in Uppe

Lufatia?

Anf. 1. Paudin, or Pautzen, the Capital of the whole Country, is fituated on the Spree, well for fied, and the Houses are most of them built wi Ston Stone. The Great Church of St. Peter, is a noble Structure; the Choir belongs to the Roman Catho. licks, and the rest to the Lutherans. 2. Gorlitz is the largest City in Lusatia. The Houses are built with Stone; it is well fortified with Walls, Towers, and Ditches. The Great Church of St. Peter and St. Paul has not its Equal in Europe. Without the City, upon a Mount, is a finall Church, and near it a Model of the Holy Sepulchre, at Jerusalem, which a wealthy Citizen, who had been there feveral Times, caused to be built. 3. Zittau, a fine City near the Borders of Bohemia. The Houses are built after the newest Manner; it is well fortified. The Suburbs are large, and populous, and there is a great Manufacture of Cloth. 4. Lauban, a well-peopled City. which borders upon Silesta, is well fortified, and there is a great Linnen Manufacture. 5. Camentz, which lies 16 Miles from Dresden, is not large, but well inhabited. There is a Woollen and Linnen Manufacture. 6. Loebaw, which is the oldest of the Six Cities, and lies in the Heart of the Upper Lusatia. Here the Assembly is held, whenever they are summoned together on Matters of Importance.

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Qu. To whom belongs Lusatia?
Ans. This Country had formerly its own Marquis; afterwards it fell to the Crown of Bohemia; but by he Peace of Prague 1635, it was given to the Elecor of Saxony. The Elector John George I. gave by is Will, in 1658, the Lower Lusatia to his second on, who was Administrator of Merseburg; so that he Upper Lusatia now belongs to the Elector of axony; and Lower Lusatia to the Duke of Saxe-Merseburg. nell are the principal:

II. Of the Lower LUSATIA.

Qu. Is all the Lower Lusatia subject to the House Merseburg?

Ans. All but Five Cities, which, Time out of Mind, have belonged to the House of Brandenburg.

Qu. Name the Five Cities, with the Territories

belonging to each?

Ans. 1. Cothus, a City, and Castle on the River Spree; it is large and populous. In the Territories about it are above 60 Gentlemen's Seats. The French Resugees have here also a Colony. 2. Peitz, is a small City, but a strong Fortification. 3. Bosokaw, a City and Castle. 4. Storckraw, a Castle and Town. 5. Sommersield, a City wherein is a Woollen Manusacture.

Qu. What is that Part which belongs to the Duke

of Saxe-Merseburg?

Ans. The following Five Cities, besides 13 fine Lordships; 1. Luken, the Capital of Lusatia, on the Frontiers of Saxony. 2. Guben is the largest, and most populous City in Lower Lusatia, where is a Woollen Manusacture. 3. Calow is a Place where is a great Market for Wool. 4. Luben is surrounded with Water, and has a fine Castle, where the Governour of the Country generally resides. 5. Spremberg, which is encompass'd by the River Spreke Here is a well-built Castle.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of the Coun-

try of Lufatia in general?

Anf. It furnishes its Inhabitants with most of the Necessaries of Life; and if in some Years it fall short of Corn, they are supplied therewith from Bohemia.

Qu. Which are the Rivers in Lusatia?

Ans. 1. The Spree, which has its Source in the Country. 2. The Neisse, or Nissa, which has its Spring in Bohemia.

Qu. What is the established Religion of Lusatias Ans. The Inhabitants are for the most Part Litherans; there are only two Monasteries belonging

to the Roman Catholicks. And in the Brandenburg Lusatia there are some few Calvinists.

CHAP, XXI. Of HUNGARY.

HOW is the Country of Hungary divided?

Anf. Into feveral large Dominions, which are,
I. Hungaria. II. Sclavonia. III. Servia. IV. Bofnia. V. Dalmatia. VI. Croatia. And VII. Transylvania.

I. Of the Kingdom of HUNGARY.

Qu. From whence did this Country receive its

Ans. It was by the Romans called Pannonia; but after the Huns, who came from the East, established here a Kingdom, it was called from them Hungaria, which Name it has retained ever since.

Qu. How large is this Kingdom?

Ans. The Length from East to West is 320 Miles, and the Breadth from South to North is 200 Miles.

Qu. How is Hungary fituated?

Ans. Westwards upon Austria and Styria. Eastwards on Moldavia and Transylvania. Northwards in Poland, and Southwards on Turky.

Qu. How is this Kingdom divided?

Anf. Into Upper and Lower Hungary, by the Rier Danube.

Upper Hungary lies between Poland and the Daube, and is divided into 36 Counties, or Provinces. The Lower Hungary lies between the Danube and the River Draw, and is divided into 13 Provinces.

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Ans. 1. Presburg, which is 40 Miles distant from Vienna, the Capital of the Country; where in the Casse are kept the Crown and other Regalia of the Kingdom, 2. Comorra, a Capital Fortification. 3. Newhawsel, a Fortification. 4. Newtra, a City, Castle, and Bishop's See. 5. Pest, situate on the Danube, opposite to Offen or Buda, to which it is joined by a large Bridge. 6. Colotz, situate on the Danube, an Archbishop's See. 7. Zentha is famous on Account of the Battle in 1697, wherein the Turks had 20,000 Men killed on the Spot, and 10,000 driven into the River Theisse. 8. Great Waradin, a strong Fortification. 9. Temeswer, an incomparable Fortification; it was retaken from the Turks by Prince Eugene in 1716, who had possessed it ever since 1552.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Lower

Hungary?

Ans. 1. Offen, or Buda, the Capital of the whole Kingdom; this is a large City, and extraordinary well fortified. The Turks had this important Place in their Possession, but in 1684 it was retaken by the Emperor of Germany. 2. Gran, a large City, encompassed with a Wall; it has a strong Castle: This Place is famous for its hot Baths. 3. Stublweissenburg, lies in a marshy District, and is a capital Fortification.

4. Sigeth, or Schut, is surrounded with Waters, and a well fortified Island. And 5. Rab, an incomparable Fortification.

II. Of the Kingdom of SCLAVONIA.

Qu. Where doth this Country lie?

Ans. Between the Rivers Save and Drave; both which fall into the Danube.

Qu. To whom doth it belong?

Ans. To the Emperor of Germany, as King of Hungary.

Qu. What is most remarkable in Sclavonia?

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Ans. 1. Esseck, the principal City, well fortified. Peterwaradin, a capital Fortification. 3. Val, a rished Town. 4. Carlowitz, a Castle, famous the Peace concluded there in 1699.

III. Of the Kingdom of CROATIA.

Qu. Where doth this Country lie?

Ans. Below Sclavonia, it borders upon the Prin-

2n. Under whose Subjection is Croatia?

Ans. For the most Part under the Emperor of

Qu. Which are the principal Places therein?

Ans. 1. Carlstadt, the Capital City, is well fored. 2. Wibicz, a fine Fortification.

IV. Of Bosnia.

Qu. How is the Kingdom of Bosnia divided?

Between the River Sove, Groatia, Dalmatia,

Servia.

Qu. Under whose Subjection is this Country?

Inf. Most of it belongs to the Turks.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Bosnia?

diff. 1. Balnialuca, a Fortification. 2. faicza, a mification upon the Frontiers of Croatia. 3. Serajo, arge trading City, and Capital of the Country.

VI. Of DALMATIA.

Qu. Under whose Subjection is this Country?

Inf. It has feveral Sovereigns.

The Emperor of Germany has Zeng, or Segna, or intercetion and good Harbour, upon the Gulph Venice in the Mediterranean.

I The Venetians have 1. Zara, the capital City, a good Fortification. 2. Clim, a Fortification. behenica, a strong Place. 4. Cattara, a Fortification. 5. Narenza. 6. Spalatro, an Archbishoprick.

7. Budoa, a small Fort. 8. Several Islands which an here and there dispersed in the Adriatic Sea, as Veglia

Curzola, Meleda, and others.

III. The Turks have 1. Ragusa, which is a Republick, but as inconstant and fickle as the Wind they sometimes chuse for their Protectors the Turks sometimes the Christians. The City is very strong of great Trade, and well peopled. 2. Arcegovina, the Residence of a Bishop. 3. Scardona. And 4. St. Croix a Harbour.

VI. The Dutchy of SERVIA.

Qu. Where lies the Country of Servia?

Ans. It borders upon Bosnia and Sclavonia.

Qu. Which are the Places of Note in Servia?

Ans. 1. Greek-Weissenburg, or Belgrade, an in comparable Fortification, on the Danube. It we retaken from the Turks by Prince Eugene in 1711 but by the late Treaty was surrendered to the Turk upon Condition of the Fortifications being first and lished. 2. Nissa, a large City, 7 Days Journey from Belgrade, a Frontier Town between the Christia and Turks, taken by the Imperial Army in the Yor 1737, but retaken by the Turks the following Yer 3. Useria, or Sizpi. And 4. Ibar.

VII. Of TRANSYLVANIA.

Qu. How is the Dutchy of Transylvania bounds Ans. West upon Hungary. East upon Moldan North upon Poland. And South upon Servia.

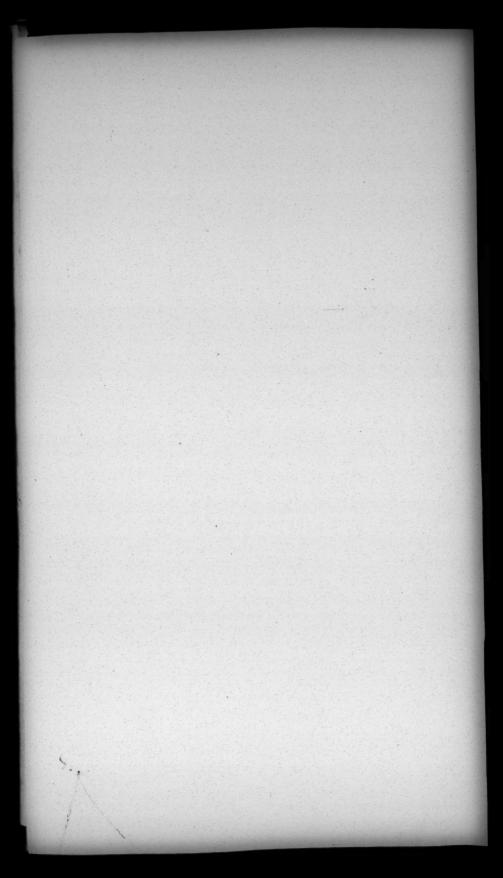
Qu. To whom does this Country belong?

Anf. To the Emperor of Germany.

Qu. Which are the Places of Note therein?

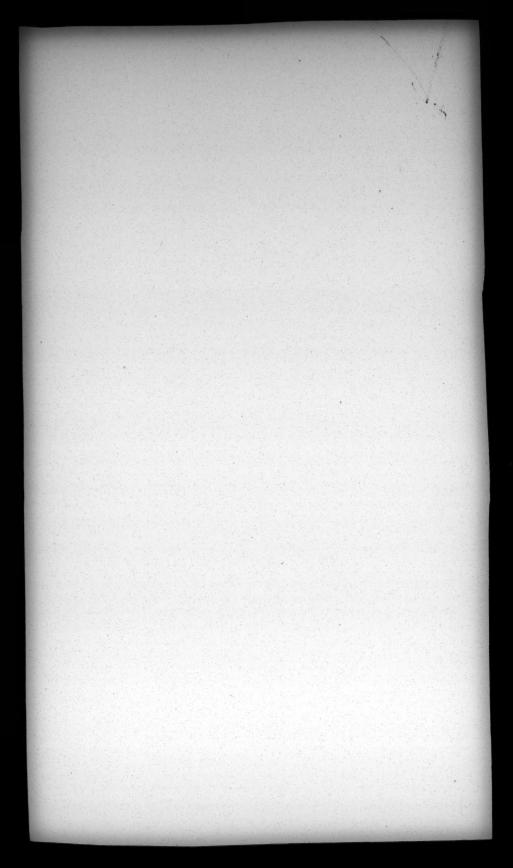
Ans. 1. Hermanstat, or Zeben, the Capita
pretty large City and Fortification. 2. Grown
3. Bistritz. 4. Segeswar. 5. Clausenburg. 6. Wei

burg. 7. Porta Ferrea, a strong Frontier Town.





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9u. What is observable with respect to the In-

itants of Transylvania?

Anf. They are a mix'd People; some are Gerns, others Hungarians, and some are strolling ople, distinguished by the Name of Gypsies. Qu. What is the Religion of this Country? Ans. Much the same as the People; most of them

fels the Lutheran Religion; the rest are either

man Catholicks, or Calvinists.

C Ish a' P. XXII.

Of POLAND.

TROM whence had Poland its Name? Ans. From the Word Pole, which, in the wonian Language, fignifies, an even Field; the untry being in general flat Land.

Qu. How is Poland bounded?

Ans. Towards the East upon Muscovy and Little rtary; Westwards upon Silesia, Brandenburg, and nerania; Southwards it joins to Hungary and llachia; and Northwards to Prussia, Courland, Livonia.

Qu. How large is the Kingdom of Poland?

In Length 800 English Miles, in Breadth ut 600.

Qu. How is Poland divided?

Into the Kingdom of Poland, and the Great tchy of Lithuania.

Qu. Which Part is the Kingdom of Poland?

Inf. That Part which borders upon Silefia and ingary.

Qu. Which Part is Lithuania?

Inf. That which borders upon Muscovy.

Of the Kingdom of POLAND.

Qu. How is this Kingdom divided?

Anf. 1. Into Little Paland, 2. Great Poland,
3. Little Russia.

I. Of Little POLAND.

Qu. What belongs to Little Poland?
Ans. It is divided into three Palatinates, viz.

I. The Palatinate of Cracow, wherein is t. Cracow, the capital City of the whole Kingdom. It is large, and well-built; it has also a strong Castle, a Bischoprick, and an University. 2. Landscroon, one of the best Fortifications in Poland.

II. The Palatinate of Sendomir, wherein is Sendomir, a City, which lies upon an Eminence, and

is well fortified. A na and

III. The Palatinate of Lublin, wherein is Lublin, a populous trading City, and well fortified.

II. Of Great POLAND.

Qu. What belongs to Great Poland? Anf. I. The Palatinate of Pofen, wherein is Pofen, a well-built City, and a Bishop's See. II. The Palatinate of Kalish, wherein is Gnesen, the most antient City of Poland, and the See of an Archbishop, who is Primate of the Kingdom. 1H. The Palatinate of Siradia, wherein is Sirad and Petricow, two well built and fortified Cities. IV. The Palatinate of Lenzitz, wherein is Lenzitz, a pretty large Town. V. The Palatinate of Rava, wherein is Rava, fmall City. VI. The Province of Majovia, wherein is Warfaw, the ordinary Residence of the King, large, and noble City, where also the General Dies are kept. VII. Podlachia, wherein is Bielsk, the capital City. And VIII. Cujavia, which has for it Capital Uladislaw, the Seat of the Bishop of Cujavia

III. Of Little Russia.

Qu. What belongs to Little Ruffia?

Anf. Four Provinces, 1. Little Ruffia. 2. Volhinia.

nia. 3. Podolia. 4. The Ukrain.

I. Little Russia.

Qu. Why is it called Little Ruffia?

Ans. To diffinguish it from Muscovia, which is called Great or Black Russia.

Qu. Where is this Province situated?

Ans. It joins to the Turkish and Hungarian Frontiers.

Qu. Into how many Territories is it divided?

Anf. Into three Palatinates.

Qu. Name them.

Ans. 1. The Palatinate of Lemberg, wherein is, 1. Lemberg, the Capital. It is an Archbishop's See; it is a large, strong, populous and trading City. It was much damaged by the Swedes in 1704. 2. Przemist, a large City, with fine Stone Buildings, and a Bishop's See.

2. The Palatinate of Belz, has Belz for its Capital.

3. The Palatinate of Chelm, wherein is Chelm, the principal Town, and a Bifhop's See.

II. VOLHINIA.

Qu. What is observable in this District?

Anf. That it is divided into Upper and Lower Volhinia: Lucko is the Capital, and a Bishop's See.

HI. PODOLIA.

Qu. What is remarkable in Podolia?

Ans. It is divided into Upper and Lower Podolia; it borders upon Moldavia, and has for its Capital Caminiec, a strong Fortification, with a Bishop's See; and Braclaw, a large trading City.

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IV. The UKRAIN.

Qu. What is the Ukrain principally noted for?

Anf. That it is a large fertile Country, watered by the River Nieper, and has 1. Kiow, a large City, for its Capital, which, together with all that lies on the other Side of the Nieper, belongs to Russia. Pultowa, a good Fortification. This Place is famous on Account of the Battle in 1709; fo fatal to the King of Sweden, Charles XII. Peter the Great obtaining there a compleat Victory over him.

Of the Great Dutchy of LITHUANIA.

Qu. How is Lithuania divided?

Ans. Into two Parts, 1. Lithuania. And 2. Samogitia.

Qu. Into how many Palatinates is Lithuania di-

vided ?

Ans. Into Seven, I. Wilna, wherein is Wilna, the Capital of the whole Dutchy, and a Bishoprick II. Trocky, wherein is Grodno, the ordinary Place of the Diets of Lithuania. III. Novogrodeck, wherein is Novogrodeck, a large City; the Houses of which are all built of Wood, IV. Witepsk, wherein is Witepsk, a strong Castle. V. Poloczko, wherein in Poloczko, which has two strong Castles. VI. Smolensko, wherein is Smolensko, a strong Fortification subject to Russia. VII. Braslaw, wherein is Braslaw the principal City and Castle.

Qu. What is worthy of Notice in Samogitia?

Anf. It borders upon Courland, and has Birza

and Rosien, two capital Towns.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Poland?

Ans. 1. The Weixel, or Vistula, which has it

Source in Moravia, flows through Poland, and empties itself into the Black Sea. 2. The Dniester, on Niester.

Niester, has its Source in Little Russia, flows through Walachia, and empties itself into the Black Sea.

3. The Dnieper, or Nieper, begins in Muscovy, and runs into the Black Sea.

4. The Dvina, which flows from Lithuania, between Livonia and Courland, into the Baltick.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of Poland?

Ans. The whole Country throughout is fertile, and in Time of Peace, has Plenty of Corn, Hemp, Horses, Black Cattle, &c. but being an open and defenceles Country, in Time of War it suffers very much, which is commonly attended with Famine.

Qu. What Form of Government is there in Po-

land ?

Ans. This whole large Country has a King, who is elected, and is the only elected Kingdom now in Europe.

Qu. What Religion is established in Poland?

Ans. The National established Religion is that of the Roman Catholicks; but Protestants, Jews, and Turks are tolerated. There are two Archbishops, and 15 Bishops.

Qu. Are there any Orders of Knighthood in Po-

land?

Anf. There is but one Order, which is that of the White Eagle, revived by King Augustus in 1705.

Qu. Who is the present King of Poland?

Ans. Augustus III. Elector of Saxony, who was born October the 7th, 1696, elected October the 5th, 1733, and crowned January the 7th, 1734.



OF PRUSSIA.

Qu. HOW is Prussia bounded?

Ans. Towards the East upon Lithuania, towards the West upon Pomerania; towards the South it joins to Poland; and Northwards to the Baltick and Courland.

Qu. How large is Pruffia?

Anf. It is 400 Miles long, and in some Parts 160 broad.

Qu. To whom doth this Country belong?

Ans. It formerly belonged to the Templars, but was afterwards divided between the Crown of Poland, and the Electoral House of Brandenburg. The Brandenburg, or Ducal Prussia, was in the Beginning of this Century erected into a Kingdom 1701, when Frederick III. Elector of Brandenburg, was crowned the first King of Prussia.

Qu. Which is the Polish, or Royal Prussia?

Ans. That Part which borders upon Great Polane

and Pomerania.

Qu. What belongs to it?

Ans. I. The District of Marienburg, wherein in Marienburg, a strong Castle, and Elbing, a sine an well fortissed City. II. The District of Culm, wherein is Culm, a large Town, and Thorn, a sine City; the Inhabitants for the most Part are Protestants, who on Account of a Tumult, were inhumanly treated by the Poles in 1723. III. The Bishoprick of Erms land, wherein is Heilsberg and Wartenburg, the chief Towns. IV. Pomerellen, wherein is Dantzig, a Se Port on the Baltick; it is rich, and well fortissed

It was formerly a free Imperial City, but put itself afterwards under the King of Poland's Protection.

Qu. What belongs to the Brandenburg, or Ducal

Pruffia?

Ans. That Part which is all along the Baltick, up to Courland.

Qu. Into how many Provinces is this Country divided; and which are the principal Towns in each?

Ans. Into Three. I. Sameland, wherein is 1. Konigsberg, a very large, and fine trading City and Harbour, wherein is a magnificent Castle; in the Church whereof Frederick III. was crowned. 2. Memel, a strong and well fortisted Place on the Borders of Courland, near the Baltick, with a good Harbour. 3. Pillaw, a Sea Port, and strong Fortistication, where is a large Fishery for Sturgeons.

II. Natangen, wherein is 1. Brandenburg, a pretty large Town, with a fine Castle. 2. Rastenburg, a Town and Castle. 3. Johannesburg, a strong Castle

on the Borders of Poland.

III. Pomesania, wherein is Marienwerder, a Fron-

tier Town. 2. Gilgenburg, a City and Caftle.

Qu. Which is the established Religion in Prussia?

Ans. Polish Prussia is mixt with Roman Catholicks and Protestants. In Brandenburg Prussia the Inhabitants are for the Generality Lutherans. The Reformed have a Church at Konigsberg, as likewise have the Roman Catholicks.

Qu. How is Prussia in General?

Ans. 1. It has large Forests, which abound in Venison and wild Fowl. In some Parts there are Bussaloes, and other wild Creatures, which are sometimes brought to the Amphitheatre at Konigsters to be baited, for the Diversion of the King and Nobility. 2. It abounds with fine Rivers, and Plenty of all Sorts of Fish. 3. It is famous for the Amber which is fished and dug up in great Plenty along the

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Coasts of the Baltick Sea. 4. The late King has established several new Colonies, and given the Saltzburgers great Encouragement to settle in this Country.

Qu. Who is the present King of Prussia?

Anf. Charles Frederick, Son of Frederick William, late King of Prussia, and Elector of Brandenburg, who died in 1740.

Qu. Is there any Order of Knighthood in Prussa?

Ans. Yes; Frederick I. at his Coronation instituted the Order of the Black Eagle: Their Number is not to exceed 30. And the present King instituted that of Merit, after his Accession to the Throne in 1740.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Prussia?

Ans. 1. The Vistula, or Weixel, which has its Source in Silesia. And 2. The River Pregel, which shows through Konigsberg, and empties itself into the Baltick.

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Of COIURLAND.

Qu. WHERE lies the Dutchy of Courland?

Anf. Between Samogitia and Livonia,
having the Baltick on the West.

Qu. How large is this Country?

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Anf. In Length it is about 200 Miles; the widest Part is about 100.

Qu. How is Courland divided?

Ans. Into two Parts. 1. The Proper Courland, wherein is 1. Mittaw, the Capital and Residence of the Duke. 2. Godlingen, a fine Town. 3. Windaw, near the Baltick. And 4. Libaw, a Sea-Port upon the Baltick.

II. Semi-Gallia, wherein is Bauske, the principal Town. milled Leveral me

Qu. To whom does this Country belong?

Ans. It formerly belonged to Livonia, and was after that surrendered to the Knights Templars; but when their Order came to decay, the Master thereof Godhard Keller, put himself under the Protection of Poland, with Condition to make this Country hereditary for him and his Heirs, as a fecular Prince; which was agreed to, and has ever fince been governed by its own Dukes.

Qu. What is the Religion of this Country?
Ans. The Inhabitants are all Lutherans.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of Courland

in general?

Anf. It is a fruitful Country in Corn, Cattle, Fish, Game, &c. not only sufficient for the Inhabitants, but for the Supply of their neighbouring Countries. Qu. Who is the present Duke of Courland?

Ans. On the 2d of June, 1737, Baron Biron, Son to the High Chancellor of Russia, was unanimously elected by the Nobility of that Country for their Sovereign; but on the Death of the Czarina, he was deposed, and divested of all his Dignities and Estates by the general Suffrages of the Nobility, Clergy, &c. of Russia, in the Year 1740, who elected Duke Lewis of Brunswick, Brother to the Duke Consort to the Grand Dutchess, Regent of Russia, Jan. 27, 1741, for their Sovereign. and a said wolf. As In Isongehic is about 200 "Affice to the sent

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CHAP. XXV. Of DENMARK.

Qu. WHAT is the Country of Denmark?

Anf. It is one of the three Northern Kingdoms, and derives its Name from their first King Dan, who lived in the Time of David, 1000 Years before the Birth of Christ.

Qu. How is this Kingdom fituated?

Anf. Between the two great Seas, the North-Sea and the East-Sea, or Baltick. The Communication of the one Sea with the other is through the Streights of the Sound.

Qu. How is this Kingdom divided?

Ans. Nature has divided it 1. Into two large Islands. 2. Some small ones; and 3. A fruitful Peninsula.

Qu. Which are the two large Islands?

Ans. They are Zealand and Funen.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in the Isle of Zealand?

Ans. This Island is of a round Figure, about 50 Miles in Circumference; it is divided into 21 Territories; the whole Island contains 13 Cities, 12

Caftles, and 347 Parishes.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Island Ans. 1. Copenhagen, a large, well peopled, an fortified City; it has a fine and secure Harbour Citadel, and 3 Royal Palaces, with an Archbishoprick. 2. Rotschild, the best City next to Copenhagen. 3. Sora, a small City. 4. Cronenburg, a strong Castle. 5. Elseneur, an open Town near the Sound where all Ships, that pass and repass, are obliged to pay their Toll.



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Qu. What is most to be taken Notice of in the

Island of Funen?

Anf. 1. That it is 24 Miles long, and 40 Miles broad; it is divided into 26 Territories; is fruitful for Grain and Fruit; and there is Plenty of Horses, black Cattle, Venison, wild Fowl, and Fish. 2. Odensee, the Capital City, situated in the middle of the Island, and has sometimes been the Residence of the Kings of Denmark. 3. Newburg, a Fortiscation. When the Swedes made a Descent on this Island, in 1659, they were beaten near this Place.

Qu. Which are the small Islands in Denmark?

Ans. There are Twelve principal ones, viz. 1. Amack, near Copenhagen, to which it has a Communication by a Draw-Bridge, and is the Kitchen-Garden for that City. 2. Langeland is only 4 Miles broad, but 28 Miles long, very fruitful. 3. Laland; this Island is 32 Miles long, and 20 broad; it abounds with Corn and Pulse. 4. Falster is 16 Miles long, and 8 broad, wherein is Nicoeping, a City, Fort, and Harbour. 5. Guldeburg, a small Hand; it has Chalk Hills. 6. Stege is a small Town, with an old Caftle; here is a College, wherein Youth are instructed in Arithmetick, Geography, and Navigation: The King has also a Pleasure-House in this Island. 7. Arroe, a small Island, fertile for Corn. 8. Samfoc. q. Anhaut. 10. Leffow. 11. Saltholm. And 12. Bornholm.

Qu. Which is the Peninfula in Denmark?

Ans. Jutland; it lies between the North Sea, and the Baltick; it was antiently called Cimbria, and is 200 Miles long, and 80 broad; but in some Places 40 Miles only; it is divided into the North and South Part; the North Part has retained the Name of Jutland. The South Part, which borders upon Germany, is the Dutchy of Sleswick.

Of JUTLAND.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in Jutland? Anf. That it abounds with Corn, Pulse, and Fruit; and as there is Plenty of good Pasture, the Country abounds with Cattle. Graziers transport from thence to Denmark and Germany, according to the Toll Book, about 30,000 Black Cattle every Year; besides Horses, of which no small Number is fent abroad.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Jutland? Anf. This Country is divided into four Districts, or Dioceses, and are diffinguished by the Names of the principal Cities of each. 1. Alborg, the Capital of the Diocese of that Name, is well-built, and the Inhabitants are looked upon as a polite People. 2. Wiborg, the Capital of the fecond Diocese, was formerly the Capital of Cimbria. Here is the Seat of the Governour of the whole Country. 3. Arhus the third Diocese, is a well-built City, Port, and a Bishop's See. 4. Rypen, the Capital of the fourth Diocese, is the largest City, has a good Harbour, and is a Place of great Trade. Koldingen, which borders upon Slefwick; all the Cattle that are transported to Germany, must pass thro' this Place, where the Toll is received, which amounts yearly to upwards of 200,000 Crowns.

Of the Dutchy of SLESWICK. test relationed to the Parker of the Places

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Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in the Dutchy of Slepwick? and to many)

Anf I. That it is from Holftein to Jutland 80 Miles long, and from the North Sea to the Baltid about 48 Miles broad; it contains 14 Cities, 1 Castles

Caftles, 178 Parishes, 87 Noblemens Seats, and 1480 Villages.

Qu. To whom does this Dutchy belong?

Ans. This fine, fruitful, populous, and flourishing Country, is neither a Part of Germany nor Denmark, but is a fovereign Principality of itself. It was formerly divided between the King of Denmark and the Duke of Holftein-Gottorp; but in the late Wars, the King made himself Master of all, by Force of Arms, and maintained it in the Northern Peace in 1720, notwithstanding the loud Complaints of the House of Holstein-Gottorp.

Qu. What Part of this Country belonged to the King of Denmark, before the Conquest of the

Ans. 1. Hadersleben, a good City, with a convenient Harbour. 2. Ofterby, a mean Town, but diffinguished on Account of an Accident which happened in 1639. A Girl, who was walking from thence to Mell-Tundern, hit her Toes against something pointed: Tho' she knew not what it was at first, yet she found, by digging it up with her Fingers, to be a Horn of the finest Gold; it is about 100 Ounces Weight, and embellished with several Hieroglyphical Figures, much in the Manner of the Egyptian Pyramids; it is 25 Inches long, and 4 Inthes wide at the Opening. It is to this Day preserved in the Royal Treasury, as a curious Piece of Antiquity. 3. Hensburg, a good City, Harbour, and Caftle. 4. Sanderberg, and several other Towns of less Note, besides some small Islands.

Qu. What Part belonged to the Duke of Holstein-

Gottorp ?

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Anf. 1. Slefwick, the Capital of the whole County. 2. Gottorp, a fine, strong Castle, on a small hand made by the River Sley, which parts it from the City of Slefwick; the Duke made Choice of this

Place

Place for his Residence. 3. Tundern, a City and Castle. 4. Husum, a City and Castle, and a great Market for Cattle. 5. Toenningen, a City; it was a stong Fortification, but demolished in the late Wars by the Danes.

Qu. Which are the principal Islands in the Dutchy

of Sleswick?

Ans. 1. Nordstrand. 2. Fora. 3. Sylt. 4. Helgeland. And 5. Femern.

Qu. What is the established Religion in the Do-

minions of the King of Denmark?

Ans. The Natives are most of them of the Lutheran Persuasion, Frederick the I. was the first King who professed himself of that Doctrine; and Christian III. introduced it throughout his Dominions. There are Bishops in Denmark; but in Slefwick, the Heads of the Clergy have only the Title of Superintendents.

Qu. Which are the Orders of Knighthood in

Denmark?

Ans. There are two, one is the Order of Danebroge; their Number is 50: And the other is of the Elephant, whose Number is more than 30.

Qu. Who is the present King of Denmark?

Ans. Christian VI. He was born November the 30th, 1699. Proclaimed King, October the 12th 1730, and crowned June the 6th, 1731. N. St.

Qu. What other Countries belong to the Crown

of Denmark?

Ans. I. In Europe, 1. The neighbouring Kingdom of Norway. 2. Half the Dutchy of Holstein. 3. The two Counties of Oldenburg and Delmenhorst.

II. In Asia, on the Coast of Malabar, the Dane

possess Tranquebar.

III. In Africa, on the Coast of Guinea, the For Fredericksburg.

IV. In America, among the Caribee Islands, they

possess the Isle of St. Thomas.

V. Towards the North Pole they have I. Iceland.
2. Greenland.
3. New Denmark.
4. Spitzbergen; and 5. Nova Zembla, of which more hereafter.

Qu. What is the Revenue of the Crown of Den-

mark?

Anf. They are calculated to amount yearly to ten Millions of Crowns.

Qu. What is the chief Commerce of Denmark?

Ans. They are at present establishing an EastIndia Company, which has hitherto proved successful.

In Europe they carry on a large Trade of Timber, Oak, and Deal-Boards, with which the Kingdom of Norway abounds; as also of Stock-Fifth, and all Manner of Rigging for Ships.

C HAP. XXVI.

Of the Kingdom of NORWAY.

PROM whence had Norway its Name?

Ans. From its Situation; because it lies towards the North Pole.

Qu. How is Norway bounded?

Ans. Towards the East upon Swedeland; towards the West on the Northern Ocean; towards the South on the German Ocean; and towards the North on the Ice Sea.

Qu. How large is Norway?

Ans. In Length about 900 English Miles; and in Breadth 200.

Qu. How is it divided?

Anf. Into Six Provinces, viz.

I. Babus, wherein is Babus, a strong Fortification. This Province belongs to the Crown of Swe-

den, who has maintained it ever fince 1660.

II. Aggerus, in which is a Castle of the same Name. 2. Christiana, a new-built City, commonly the Residence of the Stadtholder. 3. Fredericksfadt, a small City, strong Fortification, and Harbour; over against it is Fredericksstein, and not far distant the Fort Guldenlow, between which two Places the King of Swedeland, Charles XII. was killed by a Cannon Ball on the 11th of December, in the Year 1718.

III. Bergen, wherein is Bergen, the Capital of

the whole Kingdom. In no wand your says and a

IV. Stavanger, in which is Stavanger, a fine

City, and a Bishop's See.

V. Drontheim, which is further Northwards, wherein is Drontheim, a Trading Town, with a good convenient Harbour.

VI. Wardus, in Northland, which has its Name from an old Castle, that is upon an Island in the Ice Sea. The Natives are called Fin- and Lap-landers. Here it begins to be fix Months Day, and fix Months Night.

Qu. What are the principal Islands of Norway?

Anf. There are several Islands; but among the rest, the most noted is the Isle of Iceland, which lies 600 Miles Westwards from Norway, opposite to Scotland. It takes its Name from the Ice wherewith it is continually environed.

Qu. How large is this Island?

Anf. From West to East it is 320 Miles. The Arctic Circle is supposed to go thro' the Middle of it.

Qu. Is this Island inhabited?

Anf. Yes; in 868, when King Harald I. oppressed his Subjects, they could not bear his Tyranny, but retired more into the Northern Countries. tries; and in 874 this Island was thus peopled by a Norway Colony. They established an Aristocratick Government till 1261, when they voluntarily took the Oath of Subjection and Fidelity to King Haquin IV.

Qu. What is the Religion of this People?

Ans. They were at their first Settlement there Pagans; in the Year 1057 the Roman Catholick Religion was introduced amongst them, which sourished so, that in a few Years they had 330 Monasteries and Convents; but in 1533 Christian III. King of Denmark, introduced the Lutheran Religion.

At present there are two Lutheran Bishops, who have all the rest of the Clergy under their Inspection.

Qu. What is the general State and Condition of

this Country?

Ans. The Inhabitants have neither Corn-Fields, Vineyards, nor Gardens to cultivate, but for their Living are obliged to spend their Time in Hunting and Fishing. They dry the Fish, and melt their Fat, which afterwards they sell to other Nations. They have good Horses, which sometimes, for want of Grass or Hay, are forced to feed upon Stock-Fish. The People are not very fond of Money, but rather barter their Commodities for Bread, Wine, Brandy, Flour, Malt, Linen, Wool, &c.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Iceland?

Ans. 1. Ballenstadt, a Castle, the Residence of the Vice-Roy. 2. Schalbolt, the principal Town. 3. Hecla, a Vulcano, or burning Mountain.

Qu. What is the State of Norway, and what its

principal Productions?

Ans. That Part next to Denmark is well peopled, but farther towards the North it is a perfect Wilderness, full of Mountains, and very cold. The best Produce of this Country is the Fishery, especially

that of Stock-Fish, which are sent all over Europe Between Norway and Iceland is the Whale-Fisher As this Kingdom abounds with Forests, it has a gree Trade of Timber, Deals, and Oak; of which particular England and Holland take a prodigio Quantity every Year.

Qu. What is the established Religion in Norway Ans. The whole Kingdom is of the Lutheran Pe

fuafion.

Qu. To whom does the Kingdom of Norway b

long?

Ans. To the King of Denmark, who sends a Stadholder there, to take care of publick Affairs; and is to be observed, that in all the Edicts published Norway, the King stiles himself, King of Norway a Denmark; while in those published in Denmark, stiles himself King of Denmark and Norway.

Qu. What Character do the Natives of Norw

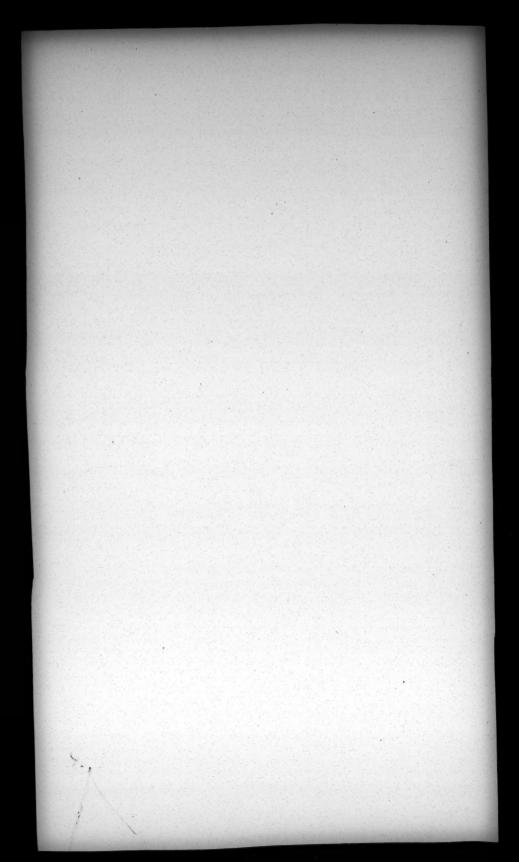
in general bear?

Anf. They are a strong, well-fized, and health People, and have the Character of being honest, dustrious, and valiant; they are naturally ingenic and handy; and both Men and Women sum themselves with most Houshold Goods and Appa of their own making; this is to be understood the Country People.

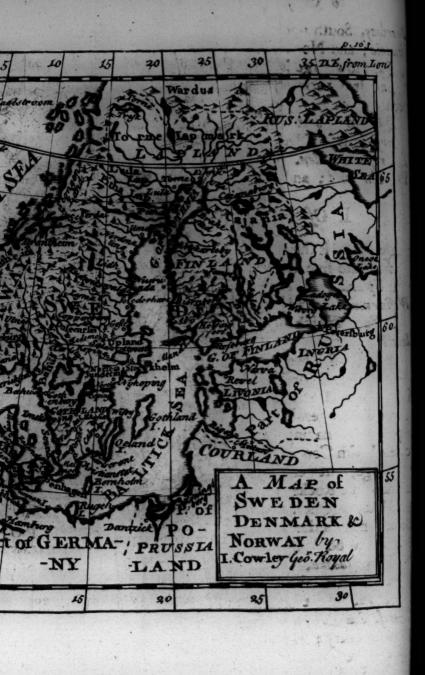
CHAP. XXVII. Of SWEDELAND.

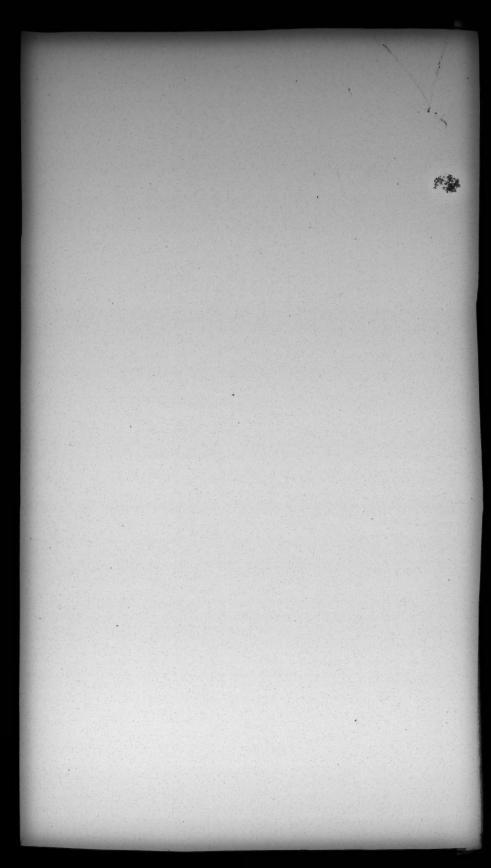
Qu. HOW is Swedeland fituated?

Anf. It is a large Kingdom, bording towards the East upon Russia, West under North









rway, South upon the Baltick, Courland and Liania; and North upon Norway.

Qu. How large is this Kingdom!

Anf. It is 1200 Miles long, and above 1000 Miles

Qu. How is it divided?

Anf. It is divided into five large Provinces, viz. Proper Suceden. H. Gothland. III. Nordland. V. Findland; and V. Lapland.

I. Of Proper SWEDEN.

Info five Governments, viz.

I. Upland. II. Sudermannia, III. Nericia. IV. Vestmannia. And V. Dalecarlia.

I. Qu. Which are the Principal Places in Up-

and?

Anf. 1. Stockholm, the Capital of the whole lingdom, and ordinary Residence of the Kings; is built on six small Islands, which are joined toether by wooden Bridges. The City makes a grand ppearance, having many stately Palaces which are overed with Copper. The Harbour of this City is ery large, but very dangerous to come at, on Acount of the Rocks and Cliss that are in the Sea for 8 Miles together. 2. Upsal, 28 Miles from Stockolm, which is the most antient City in Sweden, for is said to be built in the Year of the World 1903, by King Ubbone, who was before Abraham's Time. Here is an Archbishop's See, and an University.

II. Qu. What is to be observed in Sudermannia?

Ans. Sudermannia is the Dukedom, and a good Corn Country; the principal Place therein is Nymping a well-built City. This Place suffered much by Fire in the Year 1709, when the Russians in-

vaded it.

III. Du. Which is the chief Place in Nericia? Anf. Orebro, a long, but small City, with a Cafile, the Residence of a Governour.

Qu. What is most to be noted in Westmannia?

Anf. That it is a Dutchy, and one of the richest Provinces in Sweden. The principal Places therein are: 1. Arofia, a pretty large City, with a Citadel; it is a Bishop's See, and a great Market for Iron. 2. Koping, a City where is a great Market for Cattle. 3. Sala, a fine City, about which are the best Silver Mines in Sweden.

Qu. What is most observable in Dalecarlia?

Ans. This Province is full of Mines, and the Inhabitants are for the most Part not only Miners, but also good Soldiers. There is 1. Hedemora, the Capital, where are the Powder Mills for the Government. 2. Fahlun, one of the largest Cities in Swedeland; this abounds with Copper Mines. 5. Averstat, a small City, where is a Mint for large Copper Money. Kingdom, and ordinary Relicion of

II. Of GOTHLAND did

Qu. How is the large Territory of Gathland divided?

Anf. Into three Provinces, viz. East, West, and

South Gothland.
Qu. Which are the principal Places in East-

Gothland?

Ans. 1. Norcoping, which is next to Stockholm, the best City in Sweden, well built and fortified. 2. Lincoping, a very ancient City, and Bishop's See. 3. Wadsteen, a City in a pleasant Situation; in the Cathedral are several Kings buried. 4. Calmar, a City and good Harbour; the Castle which commands the Harbour is counted impregnable; here is also a Bishop's See. 5. Westerwyck, a City, and good Harbour on the Baltick. 6. Wisby, once a large, flourishing, flourishing, and famous City, in the Isle of Usedom, but ruined by an Inundation.

Qu. Which are the chief Places in West-Gothland? aggress we totto torget the of stooms total

Ans. 1. Gothenburg, a large City, good Fortification and Harbour; here is also a Bishop's See. 2. Lunden, wherein is an University. 3. Malmoe, a good Fortification. 4. Landscrone, a small Fort and Harbour in the Sound. 5. Christianstat, a fine City. 6. Huen, or Ween, is a small Isle in the Sound, where Tycho Brahe made himself so universally famous for his Aftronomical Observations. 7. Carlserone, a new Harbour, has two Castles to protect it, and is a Market for Ships Tackling. 8. Babus, a fine Fortification on a Rock. 9. Carlstein, an inaccessible Fort in the Isle of Maarstrand.

III. Of NORDLAND

Qu. How is Nordland fituated, and what is the State of its Inhabitants?

Anf. This Country borders North upon Lapland, and is divided into Six Provinces. The Inhabitants follow chiefly Husbandry, Hunting, Fishing, and

working in the Mines. Qu. Are there any Towns of Note in Nordland?

Ans. Yes; the chiefest are, 1. Geffe, which lies convenient for Trade, has a good Harbour, and the River Rosunda flows through the Middle of the Town. 2. Soederhaven, is a new City on the Gulph of Bothnia, which is inhabited by Merchants and Artificers. 3. Uhma, a Trading City on the Gulph of Bothnia. *4. Torna, a City of Trade, lies at the furthermost Part of the Bothnian Gulph in a pleasant lle, has a good Harbour, and a Bishop's See. King Charles XI. came thus far to fee the longest Day in that Part of the World, where the Sun continues above the Horizon for some Days.

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IV. Of FINLAND.

Qu. What is the State of the Country of Finland?
Anf. It is a fine Province, and lies opposite to
Stockholm; it is fruitful of Corn, and has plenty of
Cattle and Fish.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Finland?

Ans. 1. Abo, which is the Capital of the whole Province, has a fine Castle, and a good Harbour. Here is an University sounded by Queen Christina, in the Year 1640, and a Bishop's See. 2. Neystat, or Nistet, samous on Account of the Northern Peace between Sweden, Denmark, and Russa, signed August the 30th, 1720. 3. Aland, a samous Isle 24 Miles long, and 20 Miles broad, wherein is Castelholm, a Castle. 4. Wirmo, a small City, and Harbour, 5. Roseburg, a City. 6. Helsing fers, a Harbour, where is a Staple for the English and Dutch. 7. Wasa, a City and Harbour.

V. Of LAPLAND.

Qu. Are there more Countries of that Name?

Ans. Yes; there are three different Countries of that Name; the one is called Swedish, the other Danish, and the third Russian Lapland.

Qu. How is Swedish Lapland situated?

Ans. It lies South next to Proper Sweden, and North upon Norway Lapland; it is 650 Miles long, and 240 broad. In this Climate the longest Day, and the longest Night, is almost three Months long.

Qu. How is the Country divided?

Ans. The Division of this large Country is according to the five Rivers which flow through that Country in the Gulph of Bothnia, divided into five Provinces, viz. 1. Uma. 2. Pitha. 3. Lula. 4. Torne. And 5. Kimi,

Mnf. This Country is very cold, and the Hills are always covered with Snow. Most of the Inhabitants live under Ground, to shelter themselves from the Winds, which blow here in a terrible Manner. They have neither Spring nor Autumn; they have Summer, however, for three Months, which comes so quick upon them, that the Valleys are all green in a few Days, which before were covered with Snow. And in that short Season they sow and plant all Manner of Kitchen-Herbs. They have no Corn-Land, but good Pasture, and Plenty of Venison and Fish.

The Rain-Deer, of which there are Abundance, are very useful Creatures; for they draw the Inhabitants in Sledges long Journeys, give them Milk to

trink, Flesh to eat, and Skins for cloathing.

Qu. Which are the principal Waters in Sweden?

Ans. There are besides the Baltick and the Gulph of Bothnia, innumerable Seas, Lakes, and Rivers, which abound with fresh Water Fish.

Qu. What is the Swedish Form of Government?

Ans. This Kingdom was elective, 'till the Middle of the Fourteenth Century; since which the Kings of Sweden have been hereditary and absolute, 'till after the Death of King Charles XII. when the Government was settled on the antient Footing. The King and Senate make the Legislative Power.

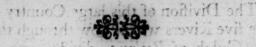
Qu. Who is the present King of Sweden?

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Ans. Frederick, Landgrave of Hesse Cassel, who was elected King of Sweden, April the 2d, 1720.

How is the Country divided?



CHAP. XXVIII. Of LIVONIA.

THAT is principally to be observed in

this Country?

Anf. The Country of Livonia lies near the Baltick, between Courland and Ingria; it is 200 Miles long, and 160 broad. It is called, on Account of its Fruitfulness, the Granary of the North.

Qu. To whom does this Country belong?

Ans. It formerly was under the Subjection of the Knights of the Cross till 1561; at which Time if was given up by the Grand Masters, Goth and Keller to the Crown of Poland. In 1660 the Swedes made themselves Masters of this Country; but the Muscovites took it from them in 1709, who have it fill in their Poffession, by Virtue of the Treaty of Ry ftad, in 1721.

Qu. How is Livonia divided ?

Anf. Into two Territories, viz. Esthen and Let ten; and two Islands belonging also to it, viz. Oefe and Dagho.

Qu. Which are the chief Places in Esthen?

Ans. 1. Revel, a rich Trading City on the Baltick it is well fortified with high Walls, Ditches, an strong Bastions; besides a strong Castle on a Rock 2. Narva, a strong fortified City; the Houses an built with Free Stone, in an elegant Manner. I 1700, the Muscovites laid Siege before this Place but were obliged to raise it with the Loss of man thousand Men. In 1704, however, they made fecond Siege, and brought it into their Power 3. Derpt, a City, well fortified with Walls, and strong Castle. 4. Pernaw, a small City, and a University.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in the Div fion of Letten?

Ans. 1. Riga, on the River Duna, which is the Capital of all Livonia; it is a City of great Trade, as a good Harbour, and a regular Fortification. The Russians took this important Place in 1710, the Inhalitants being reduced by a long Blocade to the last extremity, were obliged to surrender. 2. Dunamunde, fine Fortification on the Mouth of the River Duna, which the Harbour of Riga is protected.

CHAP. XXIX. Of INGRIA.

HAT is most observable in regard to this Country?

Ans. That it lies between the Gulph of Finland, and the Lake of Ladoga, where both are joined toether by the River Nieva. This Country is 80 files long, and about the same in Breadth; it is witful, and abounds in Game and Wild-Fowl.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Ingria?

Ans. 1. Noteburg, a fine Fortification, by the Mustices called Oresca; they took it in 1702, after the Swedes had been Masters thereof for above 100 lears. 2. Petersburg, a surprising large City, on the land of Jenneserai, raised within a few Years to the Wonder of the World; it is the Residence of the Czar, and the greatest Port and City of Trade all the North. *Peter the Great, who was the bounder of this City, established here an University, and gave great Encouragement to learned Professors come and settle there from several Parts of Europe. The Incendiaries did, in the Year 1737, inexpressible Damage to it, having burned two Parts in three this noble Place. At present all Ingria belongs to a Czar of Muscovy.

CHAP. XXX.

Of RUSSIA, or MUSCOVIA

Qu. FROM whence did Russia receive its Nam Ans. From its Founder Russias, a Sclanian Prince, who, together with his Brothers Cochus and Lechus, came about 1000 Years ago out Croatia, and established three Kingdoms, viz. I bemia, Poland, and Russia.

Qu. From whence had it the Name of Muscon Ans. From the River Muscu, and the City

that Name which is built upon it.

Qu. How large is the Country of Russia?

Ans. It is about 1400 Miles long, and about same Extent in Breadth.

Qu. How is the Country fituated?

Ans. It is the uttermost Country of Europe, a extends itself from Poland and Sweden to the Frotiers of Asia; from which it is partly divided by Rivers Oby and Wolga; Eastwards it has the Grartary; Westwards Poland and Sweden; Sou wards the European or Little Tartary; and Norwards the Ice Sea.

Qu. How is Russia divided? Ans. Into four Parts, viz.

I. West-Russia. II. East-Russia. III. Muse Lapland. And IV. The Muscovit Tartary.

I. Of WEST-RUSSIA.

Qu. How is West-Russia divided?

Anf. Into 21 Provinces.

Qu. Which are those Provinces?

Ans. I. The Dutchy of Muscow, wherein is M. cow, the Capital of the whole Empire; which is

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Miles in Circumference; in it are reckoned 2000 Churches, with an Archbishop's See. The Palace is a magnificent Building, well fortified, and can conveniently lodge a Garrison of 20,000 Men.

II. Tuwer, or Tweer, a Dukedom, in which the River Wolga has its Spring; Tweer is the Capital,

and a Bishop's See.

III. The Dutchy of Rosthow, which lies North-

wards, wherein is Rosthow the Capital.

IV. The Territory of Jeroflaw, has Jeroflaw for its Capital; it is a large City with above 40,000 Inhabitants, which lies near the Wolga, and is very convenient for Trade.

V. The Dutchy of Biele-Jezora, wherein is Biele-

Jezora, furrounded with Marshes and Fens.

VI. The Dutchy of Sufdal, wherein is Sufdal the Capital. This Province abounds with Forests.

VII. The Dutchy of Wolodimer, which lies between the River Wolga and Occa, is a Corn Country: Wolodimer is the Capital.

VIII. The Dutchy of Plescow was before 1504, a free Republick. The Capital bears the same Name.

IX. The finall Dutchy of Bielski, has Bielski for its Capital. It borders upon Poland.

X. The Dutchy of Reschow.

XI. The Dutchy of Smolensko borders upon Poland.

XII. Severia, wherein is Novogrod, the Capital. XIII. Czernichow, which borders on Poland.

XIV. Ukraine Ruffia, wherein is Kiow, and feveral other Towns belonging to Ruffia; the rest to Poland.

XV. The Territory of Novogrod, wherein is i. Great Novogrod, the Capital, a large City, and an Archbishop's See. 2. Olonitz, where is a Great laundery for Ordnance.

XVI. Kargapol lies below the White Sea.

XVII. Dwina, near the White Sea, where the River Dwina empties itself; it has Archangel for its Capital, which is a large trading City. But since 1730, at which Time the Czar Peter I. established the Commerce at Petersburg, in the Baltick, the Trade of Archangel has been chiefly removed thither.

XVIII. The Dutchy of Wologda.

XIX. The Territory of Mordua, near the River

Don, is of no great Signification.

XX. The Dutchy of Rezan, on the Frontiers of Ukraine, has Rezan for its Capital, a good trading

City.

XXI. The Dutchy of Worotin, which borders upon Tartary, and the Cofacks; wherein is Worotin, the Capital and a Fortification.

II. Of EAST-RUSSIA.

Qu. Into how many Provinces is East-Russia divided?

Ans. Into Eight; 1. The Province of Juhorski.
2. Petzora. 3. Codinsky. 4. Permia, or Permsky.
5. Oustinh. 6. Viatka, or Wiadsky. 7. Czeremisk, which Country had its Cities and Towns destroyed by Tamerlane, of which the Ruins only are now to be seen, and the Country is for the most Part desart. And 8. Nisi Novogrod, wherein is Nisi Novogrod, the Capital; in this Country are prodigious large Forests, which are inhabited by an idolatrous People.

III. Of the Muscovian Tartary.

Qu. What Countries does the Muscovian Tartary

Ans. It contains four Kingdoms, viz. 1. The Kingdom of Astracan, wherein is Astracan, the Capital, a large trading City. 2. The Kingdom of Cazan, wherein is Cazan, a large and rich City, and wall

well fortified. 3. The Kingdom of Bulgaria, wherein is Bulgaria, the Capital. 4. The Kingdom of Siberia, a wild and defart Country, chiefly inhabited by Tartars, except those Russians that are banished thither, either as Criminals, or Prisoners of War; the capital City whereof is Tobolfka. The Commodities of this Country are chiefly Furrs of Sable, Martins, Ermins, &c. On one Side of these Kingdoms is the Country of Samojedes, which borders upon the Ice Sea.

VI. Of the Muscovian Lapland.

Qu. Where lies the Muscovian Lapland?

Ans. Towards the Frontiers of Swedeland.

Qu. What Countries does it contain?

Ans. It contains three Countries, but they are of very little Note; i. The Maritime Leporie, wherein is Kola, the best Place, and to which the English and Dutch carry some Sort of Commodities. 2. Tersky Leporie, wherein is Warsi a, the best Place. 3. Bella Morefkoy Leperie, are Countries of which we have little or no Account.

Qu. Which are the principal Rivers in Russia?

Ans. 1. The Wolga, which has its Source in West-Russia, and runs through the Muscovian Tartary, into the Caspian Sea. 2. Oby, which flows into the Ice Sea, and in a Manner parts Asia from Europe. 3. Borysthenes, or Nieper, which has its Source not far from Moscow. 4. Tanais, or Don. 5. The River Dwina, which falls into the White Sta. 6. The River Occa. 7. Cam. And 8. Petzora.

Qu. Which are the principal Harbours in Russia? Ans. 1. Petersburg. 2. Archangel. And 3. Kola.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of the

Country of Muscovy in general?

Ans. It is generally marshy, full of Forests, Lakes, and Rivers; and in the East and Northern I 3

Parts it is extraordinary cold, and but thinly peopled. But those Parts towards *Poland* are in a more temperate Climate, more fruitful and populous.

Qu. What are the chief Commodities in Russia?
Ans. This Country affords Salt, Brimstone, Pitch,
Tar, Hemp, Flax, Iron, Steel, and Copper. The
Russian Leather is very much valued in Europe.
Furrs are very plenty, which are not only much

worn by the People there, but other Countries are furnished therewith from thence.

Qu. How is Russia governed?

Anf. This large Country is under the Dominion of one Monarch, who governs absolutely and arbitrarily, and who commonly has been stiled Czar of Muscovy, till Peter the Great assumed the Title of Emperor of all Russia.

Qu. What is the established Church in Russia?

Ans. They observe the Ceremonies of the Green Church, receive the Communion in both Kinds and give it to Children of feven Years old; they go to Confession; pray for the Dead; make Processions, Pilgrimages, the Sign of the Cross, &c. The have divers Monasteries of Friars and Nuns. Their principal Saint or Patron, is St. Nicholas. They have four Metropolitan Patriarchs, eight Archbishops, two Bishops, and in the City of Muscow only, there are about 4000 of the Inserior Clergy.

Qu. Are there any Orders of Knighthood at the

Russian Court?

Anf. Yes, there are three, instituted by Peter th

Great.

1. The Order of St. Andrew, in 1698. 2. The Order of Petrus, Possessor, and Autocrator, or St. Catherine, in Honour of the Czarina, and in Memory of the Peace at Pruth, between the Turks and the Czar, the Knights of which wear a Golden Cross or

white Ribbon, with this Inscription: In Lieb und Treu, i. e. In Love and Faith.

Qu. Who is at prefent upon the Imperial Throne

of Ruffia?

Ans. Russia in this present Year 1741, is governed by the Regency of her Royal Highness the Princess Anne, Daughter of Peter the First; the late Czarina Anna Iwanowna, who was Daughter of Peter the First's elder Brother Iwan, having appointed the Princess Anne's Son to succeed her to the Throne, who is now an Infant.

CHAP: XXXI.

Of the European, or Little TARTARY, and COSSACKS.

Prom Hords, or Bands, in that Language called Tartars, which were by Shingonis their Commander fent before him, when he made Inroads upon the neighbouring Countries. By this Means the People became a Terror to several Nations, and were distinguished by that Name.

Qu. What other Denominations has Little Tar-

tary?

Ans. It is commonly called the Crim, or Precop Tartary, to distinguish it from the Asiatic Tartary.

Qu. What is understood by the Little Tartary?

Ans. That Piece of Land which lies between Muswvy and the Black Sea; it borders Eastwards upon
Asia; Westwards upon the Moldaw and Poland;
Southwards on the Black Sea; and Northwards it
joins to Muscovy.

Qu. How large is that Country?

Ans. In Length 140 German Miles, and in Breadth 70.

Qu. What is principally to be noted in this

Country?

Ans. That it is a Peninsula, and divided by Mountains into two Parts; the principal Places therein, are the following Cities and Towns: 1. Baciesaray, which is the Capital and Residence of the Cham. 2. Precop, a good Fortification, but small. 3. Cassa, a Sea-Port, and Trading City. 4. Azow, a Fortification, and Port on the Black Sea, which was retaken from the Turks by the Muscovites in 1736. 5 Krim. 6. Kersi. 7. Mancop. And 8. Coselaw. Besides which, there are reckoned 80,000 Villages in this Country, of all which the Cham is Sovereign.

Qu. How many Sorts of Tartars are there in

Little Tartary?

Ans. Besides those in the Peninsula, they have spread themselves both Eastwards and Westwards,

and are diffinguished by different Names.

1. The Crim, and 2. The Precop Tartars, are both in and about the Peninfula. 3. The Circaffians. 4. The Calmucks. And 5. The Nogaian Tartars: They all border from the Peninsula upon one another, and reach as far as Aftracan; every one has their own Prince, who for the Generality is in the Muscovite Interest. 6. The Oczacow Tartary fides with the Turks; it was in the late War subdued by the Muscovites. The City of Oczacow was taken by Capitulation, and the Garrison, which consists of 10,000 Janizaries, were made Prisoners of War they found in the Place 60 Brafs Cannons, 2000 Muskets, and other Implements of War. 7. Th Beffarabian. 8. The Bialogrodick. 9. The Budzial Tartars; all these resort near to the Sea. 10. Th Dobruzic. 11. The Czeremific. And 12. The Lipke Tartars

Tartars; these three are in the Ukraine, upon the Borders of Poland.

Qu. What is the Form of Government among

the Tartars?

Ans. The Precop, and Crim Tartars, have their own Sovereign Cham; and although the Grand Signior put a Basha in each of the principal Towns, their Jurisdiction doth not extend any further; but the Cham's Authority reaches over the whole Country: Tho' this Prince takes upon himself the Title of King of the Tartars, yet he is but a Vassal to the Grand Signior, and is frequently called to assist in the Divan.

Qu. What are the Commodities of the Crim Tar-

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pke ers Ans. This Country abounds with Wheat and Millet; a Cart Load, with as much as two Oxen can draw, is fold for two Crowns. They have besides good Pasture, and Abundance of Cattle, good Horses, and Camels; and Provision is there so cheap, that a Hen is fold for Two-pence, and 15 Eggs for a Penny. They have Plenty of Fish, but they choose rather to live upon Horse-Flesh. Salt they gather without any Trouble, in the Fens and Marshes.

Qu. What is the Character and Customs of the

Crim Tartars ?

Ans. They are pretty civil to Strangers, and will conduct them to the Mosque, where they are provided with Meat; a Traveller of their own Nation, is taken into a private Family, and entertained in a Room set apart for the Reception of Travellers. They are married by their Coggia or Priest, and take as many Wives as they can maintain, besides which they have Slaves for their Concubines. The common Sort make a Trade of selling the Children of their Concubines. The Tartars in general know no other Calling but War, in which Art they are expert. They take more Care of their Horses than of them-

felves. They are generally at War with the neighbouring Countries, as Muscovy, Circassia, Poland, and Moldavia. The Cham has the Tenth of what Booty his Subjects make.

Qu. What Religion prevails among the Tartars? Ans. They have different Sorts of Religions; some of them are Christians, others Mahometans; and some again are Pagans, who sacrifice their own Children to their Idols, and prostitute their Wives and Daughters in Honour of them.

Of the Cossacks.

Qu. What Sort of People are the Cossacks?

Ans. They are a loose and thievish People; some border upon Poland; others upon Russia; and some again upon Turky; they chuse their own General to lead them upon any Enterprize.

Qu. Are this People independent from other So-

vereigns?

Ans. No; they are dependent on their powerful Neighbours, and are sometimes Vassals to Poland sometimes to Russia, and at other Times to the Turks

Qu. How are the Coffacks diffinguished?

Ans. Into two Sorts, viz.

1. The Zaporopski-Cossacks. And 2. The Don nic-Cossacks.

Qu. Where do the Zaporopski-Cossacks chief

refide?

Ans. About the Nieper, and in the Ukraine, about Bracklaw and Kiow.

Qu. With whom do there Cossacks fide?

Ans. Formerly they fided entirely with Polant and were of incomparable Service in the War with Turks, for which they required no more than Ducat a Year, and a Sheep-skin Wrapper, but not they do chiefly side with Russia. Some will fer the Turks.

Qu. Where do the Donnic-Cossacks chiefly reside?
Ans. About the River Don; these always side with the Russians.

Qu. What Sort of Government have the Coffacks

among themselves?

Ans. They chuse a General of their own People, who is confirmed by that Nation, under whose Pro-

tection they are.

We here must take Notice of the City of Pultavia, which lies near the Nieper, famous on Account of the great Battle between the Russians and Swedes in 1709.

CHAP. XXXII. TURKY in EUROPE.

Qu. WHICH are the Countries belonging to the Turks in Europe?

Ans. They have four large Provinces along that Part of the Danube, where it empties itself into the Black Sea. 2. In the Archipelago they have several Islands, and six sine Provinces below the Danube.
3. The Little Tartary owns the Grand Signior for its Sovereign.

Qu. Which are the Provinces in the Turkish Do-

minions about the Danube?

Ans. 1. Moldavia. 2. Wallachia. 3. Bulgaria. And 4. Romania.

I. Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in Mol-

davia?

Ans. 1. It lies upon the Frontiers of Poland, and is 240 Miles long, and 80 Miles broad. It has its own Prince, or Hospodar, who is a Vassal to the Grand Signior. 2. Jassy, the ordinary Residence of the Hospodar, on the River Pruth. The Inhabitants are for the most Part Grecians. 3. Choczim, a Fortification on the Frontiers of Poland.

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II. Qu. What is most remarkable in the Province of Wallachia?

Anf. That it is 200 Miles long, and 120 Miles broad; it lies behind Transylvania. The Hospodar or Prince thereof, is also a Vassal to the Grand Signior. Targovisco, a large Place in the Middle of the Land, is the Residence of the Hospodar.

III. Qu. What is to be observed in Bulgaria?

Anf. That it is a narrow Tract of Land, but is 240 Miles long. The principal Places in it are, 1. Widdin on the Danube, a well fortified City. Thus far did the Christians advance in the last Wars. 2. Sophia, a large and rich trading City. 3. Nicopoli, a large Place on the Danube. 4. Varna, the satal Place to the Christians in 1444; when Uladiflaus, King of Poland, and 30,000 Christians were

killed on the Spot.

Qu. What is most worthy of Note in Romania?

Ans. 1. Adrianople, or Andrinople, sometimes the Residence of the Grand Signior; it is large, and a Place of considerable Commerce. 2. Constantinople is one of the largest Cities in Europe, and the ordinary Residence of the Grand Signior. This was formerly the Residence of the Grand Signior. This was formerly the Residence of the Grecian Emperors; but in the Year 1453, this great City was taken by Storm. The Seraglio, wherein the Grand Signior keeps his Court, is encompassed with Walls, Towers, and Canals. The City has a fine, large Harbour, and lies very convenient for Trade, both with Inrope, Asia, and Africa.

Of GREECE.

Qu. Which are the Turkish Dominions below the Danube?

Anf. Greece.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Anf. Into the firm Land, and the Islands in the Ar-

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Qu. How many Provinces are there in the firm Land?

Ans. Six; viz. 1. Albania. 2. Epirus. 3. Macedonia. 4. Theffalia. 5. Livadia, and 6. Morea.

I. Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in Alba-

nia ?

Ans. 1. The Turks call this Country Arnaut. It is about 120 Miles long, and 80 Miles broad. Most of the Inhabitants are Christians. 2. Durazzo, a large City, a Harbour, and an Archbishop's See, is the Capital. 3. Valona, a fortified City, its Citadel was blown up in 1691. It has a fine large Harbour, and is an Archbishop's See. 4. Scutari, near the River Bajano, is large and well fortified, and a Bishop's See. 5. Croja, the Birth-place of the Great Scanderberg, has a strong Castle.

II. Qu. What is most to be noted in Epirus?

Ans. 1. That it is now called Canina, and is about 96 Miles long, and 48 Miles broad. 2. That Larta is the capital City, and the Residence of the Basha. 3. Chimera, a fine Harbour on the Ionian Sea.

III. Qu. What is most observable in Macedonia? Ans. 1. That it is that Country whereof Alexander the Great was King. It is about 200 Miles. long, and 120 Miles broad. 2. Salonichi, formerly Thessalonica, is the Capital, and most populous trading City in all Greece. 3. Zuchria, formerly called Pella, the Birth-place of Alexander the Great. 3. Stagira, now called Libanova, the Birth-place of Aristotle. 5. Philippi, a City to which the Apostle St. Paul sent his Epistles. 6. Athos, or Monte Santo, is one of the highest Mountains in the World. Merxes, the Persian King, had this Mountain dug through to pass his Army. On this Mountain are 23 Monasteries, inhabited by about 6000 Grecian Monks.

IV. Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in Thef-

falia?

Ans. 1. That it is now called by the Turks Janna; it lies in the Center of Greece, and is about 120 Miles long, and 80 Miles broad; it is surrounded with high Mountains. The Country produces fine Fruit, as Oranges, Wine, Lemons, Olives, &c. 2. Jannina, the Capital, a large and populous City. 3. Olympus, Pindus, Parnassus, and Helicon, all famous Mountains, peculiarly celebrated among the Poets.

V. Qu. What is most to be noted in Livadia? Ans. 1. That this Country has several Names: It is called Hellas, Achaja, Attica, and Grecia Propria; it reaches from the Ionic Sea to the Archipelago, is 240 Miles long, and 60 Miles broad. 2. The Gulph of Lepanto, which parts it from Morea. This Gulph is 80 Miles long, tho' not very broad. It joins to the Ionic Sea by a Streight, which is guarded by two Castles called the Little Dardanelles. The one is on the Side of Livadia, and the other on the Side of Morea. 3. Livadia, the Capital, a large City, inhabited by Christians, Tews, and Mahometans. 4. Lepanto, a well fortified City on a Hill, not far from the Little Dardanelles; it is one of the best Places in Greece. 5, Athens, now Setines, or Attines, was, before the Birth of Christ, an univerfally famous Republick: The curious Antiquaries, and Travellers, are furnished here with a Variety of Speculations. 6. Stives is the ancient Thebes, which was raifed by Alexander the Great. It was a powerful great City, but now a mere Village. 7. Delphos was once very famous on Account of the Oracle; but at present there are scarce any Marks left of the Place where the Temple of Apollo was built. And of the City, there remains no more than a mean Village, called Castri.

VI. Qu. What is principally to be noted in the Morea?

Ans. 1. That it is a Peninsula, of 120 Miles long. and the same Extent in Breadth. The Venetians once possessed this Country; but in 1715, it was taken from them by the Turks, who fent at least 80,000 Grecian Christians into Slavery.

Qu. How is the Morea divided?

Ans. Into four small Provinces. which bears the Title of a Dutchy, wherein is Patras, a City near the Gulph of Lepanto, not far from the Little Dardanelles; it is a Greek Archbi-

shop's See.

II. Saccania, wherein is I. Coranto, or Corinth, a Place of great Importance, with a strong Castle. To the Inhabitants of this Place St. Paul wrote two Epistles; here was the famous Temple of Venus. At prefent it is but a Place of mean Appearance. 2. Napoli di Romania, an important Fortification, with a fecure Harbour, into which no more than

one Ship at a Time can enter.

III. Belvedere lies Westwards towards the Ionick Sea, wherein is, I. Belvedere, antiently called Elis; formerly Jupiter Olympus was worshipped here, but it is now a mean Place. 2. Arcadia, a City. 3. Navarino, a good and well fortified City, with an Harbour, and two Citadels. 4. Coron, a strong Place, and fecure Harbour. 5. Calamata, a fine Place, with a strong Castle. 6. Modon, a fortified City, and Harbour. 7. Longavico, is the Place where formerly were kept the Olympian Games.

IV. Traconia was formerly Laconia, and Arcadia: The principal Places are, 1. Misitra, anciently Sparta, a large City, with two Suburbs, and a Citadel on a Rock. 2. Napoli di Malvasia, the antient Epidaurus, a City in a small Island. 3. The Mainotts, who were formerly a free Republick; confifting of three Cities, and 365 Villages: The Names of the Cities are Vitulo, Magni, and Proasti.

Of the GRECIAN ISLANDS.

Qu. What Islands are about the Country of Greece?
Ans. 1. The Island Candia. 2. Negropont. 3. The
Ionick Islands. And 4. The Islands in the Archipelago.

I. Of CANDIA.

Qu. Where lies the Island of Candia?

Ans. Not far from the Morea.

Qu. Which are the Places of Note in this Island?

Ans. 1. Candia, the Capital, a large, and well fortified City both by Art and Nature. 2. Canea, an important Fortification. 3. Retimo, a City, Harbour, and Castle. 4. Setia, or Sittia, a small but well fortified Town, standing in a Peninsula to the East of the Island; it has a fine Harbour. 5. Suda, a noted Sea-port, with a strong Fortification. 6. Garabusa, a small Island and Fortification.

II. Of NEGROPONT.

Qu. Where lies the Island of Negropont?
Ans. Near Livadia, it is 120 Miles long, and 40 broad.

Qu. Which are the principal Places therein?

Ans. 1. Negropont, the Capital, an excellent Fortification. This City is joined to the Continent of Achaja by a Draw-bridge, which leads to a Tower, built in the Euripus by the Venetians, from whence they pass by a Stone Bridge, with five Arches, to the main Land. This Place was formerly called Chalcis. 2. The Mountain of Caristo is remarkable for its excellent Marble, and the Stone Asbestos, of which they make a kind of Linnen, which is cleansed by putting it into the Fire.

III. Of the IONIAN-ISLANDS.

Qu. Which are the Principal of the Ionian Islands?
Anf. 1. Corfu, which is pretty large; the Capital
City is Corfu, a secure Harbour, and Fortification.
2. St. Maura; in it is Maura the Capital, and a
Fortification. 3. Cefalonia, upon which is the Castle Angolstol; this Island was formerly populous, but
it has been much depopulated by Parties and the
Turks. 4. Zante, wherein is Zante, a well fortified
Town. 5. Sapienza; and 6. Cerigo. These Six
belong to the Venetians.

IV. The Islands of the Archipelago.

Qu. Which are the principal Islands in the Ar-

chipelago?

Anf. The Island Stalimene, formerly Lemnos, is about 160 Miles in Compass. The Capital is Stal Mene; near it is Sotira, or our Saviour's Chapel; the Greek Monks gather every Transfiguration Day the Terra Sigillata, which is medicinal. 2. Metelina, the capital City; besides which it has two other Cities, Gerema and Calons. 3. Scio, overagainst Smyrna. The Capital is Scio, which is very populous. This Island produces Mastick, from whence the Grand Signior is served with it for the Ladies of the Seraglio to whiten their Teeth, and sweeten their Breath withal. 4. Patmos, or Palmosa, the Circuit whereof is not above five English Miles. This Island is samous on Account of St. John the Evangelist, who wrote his Revelations here.

Qu. What is the Religion of these Countries?

Ans. The Natives are for the most part Mahometans; but the Christians and Jews are tolerated

upon paying certain Imposts to the Grand Signior.

2u. By whom was the Mahametan Doctrine introduced?

Ans. By Mahomet, who was born in the Year of Christ 598. He was an Arabian, not far from Mecca, of an Ismaelite Family.

Qu. What are the principal Articles of their Belief?

Anf. 1. They believe that God is the only God from all Eternity, who created all Things, but deny

the Trinity.

2. That Jesus Christ was not the Son of God, but a great Prophet sent by God, and inserior to Mahomet.

3. That the Holy Spirit is not of a Divine Na-

ture, but created.

4. That Circumcision was not derived from Abrabam, but from Adam when in Paradise.

5. They fet Friday apart as a Day of publick

Worship.

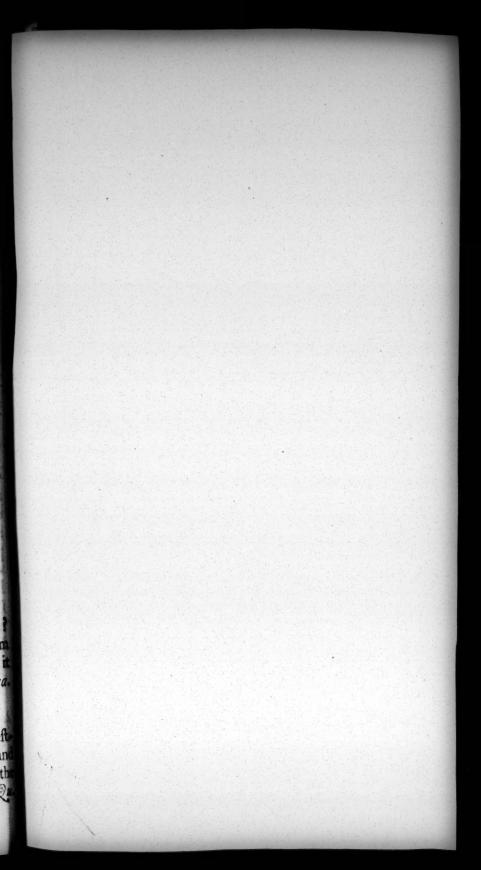
6. The Mahometan Law obliges every good Musselman to go once in his Life Time a Pilgrimage to the Sepulchre of Mahomet at Mecca. But this is dispensed with, by paying a Sum of Money, and sending another Person in their Stead.

CHAP. I. Of ASIA.

ROM whence did Asia receive its Name Ans. Bochart derives the Name of it from the Phænician Word Asia, i. e. Middle; because lies in the Middle between Europe and Africa Others derive it from Asia, the Wise of Japhat.

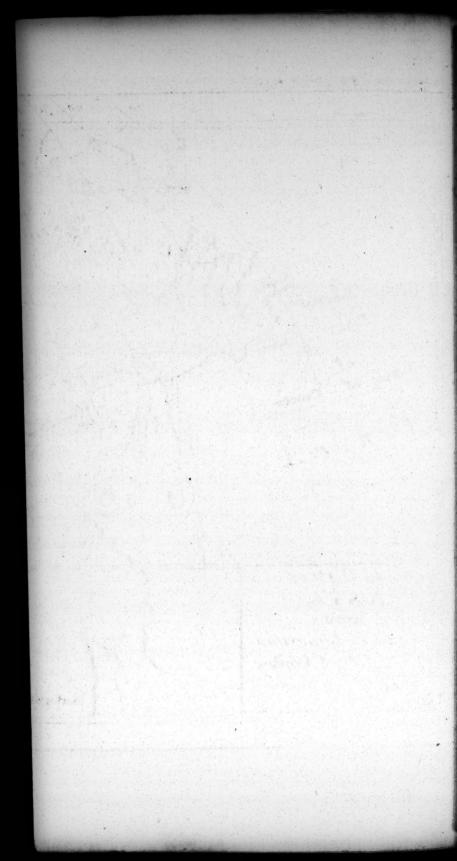
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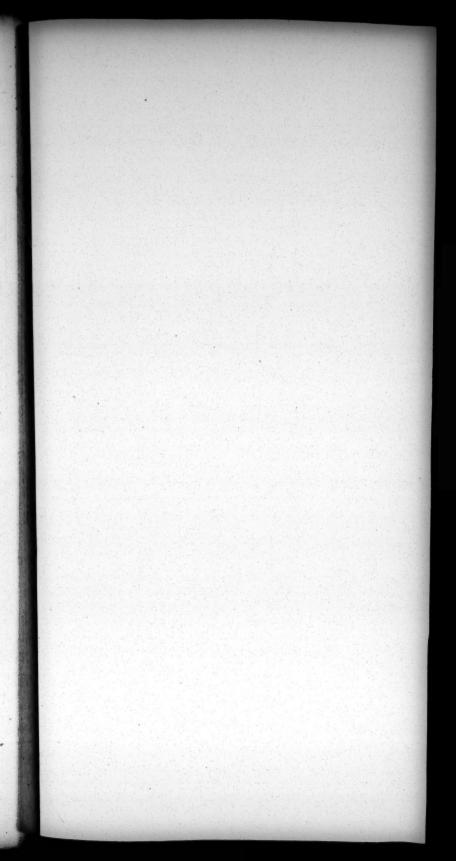
Ans. Eastwards it has the Eastern Ocean; West wards the Red Sea, the Levant, the Black Sea, and Muscovy; South the Indian Sea; and North the Ice Sea.





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Qu. How large is Afia?

Ans. In Length from the Hellespont to Corea it is reckoned 5600 Miles; in Breadth from Malacea to Cabo Tapin 4000 Miles; in Circuit is is 18000 Miles.

Qu. How is Afia divided?

Anf. Into the Continent, and the Islands.

Qu. How many different Countries are in Asia

upon the Continent?

Ans. Five. 1. The Dominions of the Turks.
2. The Dominions of Persia. 3. East-India, or the Empire of the Great Mogul. 4. The Great Tartary. And 5. The Empire of China.

I. Of the Turkish Dominions.

Qu. Which are the Turkish Dominions in Asia? Ans. I. Natolia, or the Levant, wherein are the Seven Churches mentioned in the Revelations.

1. Smyrna, a very large and populous City, renowned for the great Trade carried on there by the Europeans. 2. Ephefus, formerly famous for the Temple of Diana, but now a poor Village. St. Paul wrote feveral Epiftles to the Inhabitants of this Place. 3. Philadelphia, now Filadelfi, a well peopled Town, a great many of the Inhabitants of which are Christians. 4. Sardis, formerly a Royal Residence, but now a mean Village. 5. Pergamus, a Town in pretty good Condition. 6. Lac-dicea, formerly a large City, not far distant from Sardis. 7. Thyatira, a populous Town, not far distant from Sardis. 8. Troja, once a famous City, but destroyed by the Greeks in the Year of the World 2870. 9. The Island of Rhodes, which lies South of Natolia, where the famous Figure of Colossus once stood.

II. Amasia, a Province near the Black Sea.

III. Caramania, a Province which lies near the Mediterranean Sea, wherein is Tarfus, now called Teraffe, Terasse, and Tirsis. This Town was formerly the Delight of several Roman Emperors, on Account of its pleasant Situation: It is the Birth-place of the Apostle Paul.

Qu. Which are the Countries between the Black

and the Caspian Sea?

Anf. I. Georgia, wherein are principally, 1. The Dutchy of Mingrelia. 2. The Dutchy of Inerette. 3. The Dutchy of Garduel, wherein is Testis, the Capital City of all Georgia.

II. Turcomania, formerly Great Armenia, wherein is remarkable, 1. Erzerum, the Capital, and a Fortification, on the Frontiers of Persia. 2. The Mountain of Ararat, on which the Ark of Noah rested.

Qu. What Countries lie between the River Eu-

phrates and the Mediterranean?

Anf. 1. Syria, or the Holy Land. 2. Diarbeck and Curalftan.

I. Of the HOLY-LAND.

Qu. By what Names was this Country formerly known?

Ans. It was formerly divided into three large Provinces, viz. 1. Syria. 2. Phænicia. And 3. Palestine, or Canaan, the Land of Promise.

Qu. In how many Provinces is this Country now

divided?

Ans. I. In Aleppo, the Capital, and Residence of the Bashaws, under whose Jurisdiction is also, 1. Scanderoon, a fine Trading City. 2. Antioch, where is a Patriarch of the Grecian Church.

II. Tripoli, a Residence of a Bashaw, and a City

of great Trade, with a fine Harbour.

III. Damascus, a Capital City, and Residence of a Bashaw, who has under his Jurisdiction, 1. Samaria, in a ruinous Condition. 2. Jerusalem, a City, built

built not far from the Old Jerusalem, which, together with the Temple, was destroyed by Titus Vespasian. 3. Sayd, formerly Sidon, which is but in a poor Condition. 4. Sur, which was formerly the samous City of Tyre, and now lies buried in its own Ruins.

IV. Lebanon, a famous Mountain, which lies in the Middle of the Country, and is inhabited by Christians, who are called Maronites.

II. Of DIARBECKIR.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the Country of Diarbeckir?

Ans. Diarbeckir was antiently Mesopotamia, the principal Towns therein are, 1. Moful, the Residence of a Bashaw. It is the common Notion, that this was the City Nineveh. 2. Haran is supposed to be the Birth-place of Abraham. 3. Yerack, in the Diftrict of Irack, or Yerack. 4. Bagdad, a large, strong, and trading City; this Place is commonly mistaken for Babylon, which was formerly the Metropolis of this Country, but is now fo much ruined, that Geographers differ where its Ruins lie: However most agree, that it lies about 40 Miles North from Bagdad, where now are to be feen vast Ruins, the Receptacles of Lions, Jackals, and many other ravenous, as well as venemous Creatures. 5. Baffora, a great and rich Town, with a fine Harbour; the English and Dutch carry on from thence a great Trade to Smyrna, Aleppo, Damascus, &c.

Qu. What Countries lie in Asia, between Persia

and the Red Sea?

Ans. Arabia, which is divided into three Parts; I. Arabia Petrea, or the Stony Arabia. 2. Arabia Deserta, or the Desart Arabia. 3. Arabia Felix, or the Happy Arabia.

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Qu. What Countries lie in Afia, between Persia

and the Red Sea?

Ans. Arabia, which is divided into three Parts; I Arabia Petrea, or the Stony Arabia. 2. Arabia Deserta, or the Desart Arabia. 3. Arabia Felix, I the Happy Arabia.

I. Of the Stony ARABIA.

Qu. What is most observable in the Stony Arabia? Ans. 1. Crack, or Hara, the best City in that Country. 2. The two famous Mounts Horeb and Sinai. 3. The three Desarts, Paran, Sin, and Cades. 4. Here grow the Trees that yield the Gum, which is commonly known by the Name of Gum-Arabick.

Qu. Why is this Country called Stony?

Ans. It had its Name from the ancient Town Petra, now Hara, i. e. a Rock, being built on a strong Rock, and also from the Country being sull of Stones and Rocks.

Qu. What Nations formerly possessed this Coun-

try ?

Ans. This Country now is barren, and almost uninhabited; but formerly the *Israelites* lived in it forty Years, and afterwards it was inhabited by the Moabites, Amalekites, Medianites, and Ishmaelites.

II. Of the Defart ARABIA.

Qu. Why is this Part of Arabia called Defart?

Ans. From its fandy and barren Defarts; however, towards the Euphrate, and along the Coast of the Red Sea, the Country is more populous, fruitful, and better cultivated.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in this Country!

Ans. 1. Anna, a Town of Trade on the Euphrate,
which has but one Street, and is 16 Miles long.
2. Medina, a Town very considerable among the
Mahometans, on Account of Mahomet's Body being
deposited there. The chief Mosque of this Place is
supported by 400 Pillars, and surnished with 4000
Silver Lamps. Here, in a small Tower, adorned
with Plates of Silver, and cover'd with Cloth of Gold,
lies Mahomet's Cossin, under a Canopy of Cloth of
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Silver. The Coffin is supported by small black Marble Pillars, and environed with a Ballister of Silver. 3. Mecca, the Birth-place of Mahomet, a large City, four Day's Journey from Medina. Here is another Mosque, which is reckoned the most sumptious and magnificent Temple in the World. It has above 100 Gates, and the Inside is adorned with Tapestries and Gildings extraordinary rich. The chief Entrance has a Silver Gate.

III. Of ARABIA FELIX, or the HAPPY ARABIA.

Qu. Why is it called Happy?

Ans. Because this Country is far preferable to the two first, and contains several Kingdoms.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in this Country?

Ans. 1. Zibet, formerly called Saba, a trading Town on the River Zibet, which falls into the Red Sea. 2. Mascate, a Town, and Sovereign Principality. 3. Sanaa, the largest City in Arabia Felix, which is rich and well-built.

Qu. What Sort of People are the Arabs?

Ans. They are tawny, of a middling Size, nimble, good Horsemen and Archers; they are melancholy, grave and sober; some are addicted to Idleness, live in the Fields, and are much given to Robbery, and the Roads are much infested with them; they often attack the Caravans in great Bodies; they are divided into Tribes or Clans, like the Highlanders in Scotland. Those who live in Towns follow Trades; Astronomy and Physick are the favourite Studies of the better Sort.

Qu. What Sort of Government is in Arabia?

Ans. The most Part of it is under the Subjection of the Grand Signior; other Parts are governed by their own Kings or Princes.

Qu. What is the Religion of the Arabs?

Ans. The sober Part profess the Doctrine of Mahomet; but the wild Arabs know nothing of Religion, and live like favage Beafts, hunting after their Prev, and destroying one another.

CHAP. II.

Of PERSIA.

2u. HOW is Persia bounded?

Ans. On the North by the Caspian Sea, and Part of Great Tartary; on the East by the Indies, or the Great Mogul's Country; on the South by the Gulph of Ormus; or the Oriental Ocean; on the West by Turky in Asia, and Diarbeck.

Qu. How large is the Country of Perfia?

Anf. In Length from Turky to the Indies it is 1600 Miles; and in Breadth 1200 Miles.

Qu. How is Persia divided, and which are its

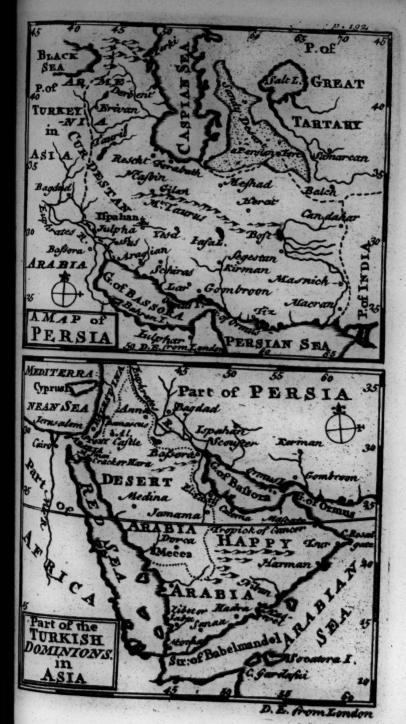
principal Towns?

Anf. Into twelve large Provinces, viz. In the Middle of Persia lies,

I. The Province of Erack, wherein is, 1. I/pahan, the Capital of the whole Kingdom, and ordinary Residence of the Schach, is extreme populous. The Houses are but mean, and the Streets not being pav'd, make the Place very unpleasant. 2. Casbin, a large and populous Town, formerly the Refidence of the Schachs of Persia; it has still a magnificent Palace. In this Province stood the City of Arbeia, where Darius was vanquished by Alexander the Great.

Westwards, are,

II. Chusistan, a Province abounding in Horse and Camels; the capital City thereof is Sus.





III. Adyrbeitzan, is that District which formerly was known by the Name of the Kingdom of the Medes, wherein is, 1. Tauris, once the Capital and Residence of Persia, the largest City next to Ispaban, and the Burial-place of many of the antient Kings of Persia. 2. Irwan, a large City.

Northwards, are

IV. Scirvan, which has Derbent for its Capital, now subject to Russia.

V. Kilan, which abounds with Wine, Wax, Figs. Oil, Rice and Silk; the chief Town therein is Rascht.

VI. Chorasan, a good Corn Country; in it is, 1. Herat, a large and populous Town. 2. Melhad. which has 200 Towers, and a Burial-place for many Mahometan Saints, on Account whereof the Persians frequently go long Pilgrimages to it.

Eastwards, are

VII. Sablustan, towards India, which has Bost, a frong Fortification.

VIII. Sigiftan, a Country full of Defarts, which

has a capital Town of the same Name.

IX. Candahar, which has Candahar, a good Fortification, and a City of good Trade, on the Frontiers of the Great Mogul, which City has caused several Quarrels between the Great Mogul and Persia; and no doubt but Kouli Kan decided the Matter Sword in Hand, when by his victorious Arms he lately subdued and gave Laws to that great Indian Monarch.

Southwards, are

X. Macran, wherein is Macran, a large Town. XI. Kirman, wherein is Kirman, the Capital; here

live many Heathens, who worship Fire.

XII. Farfistan, which has Schiras for its Capital; a large City, 20 Miles in Circumference. Not far from which Place, are the Ruins of that once magmicent City Persepolis, destroyed by Alexander the Great . KXII William Com differ

Du. What are the most noted Islands in Persia? Ans. 1. Ormus, in the Gulph of the same Name. This Island was in 1508 taken by the Partugueze, who built in it a very strong Fortification, called also Ormus, and brought the Place to be looked upon as a Terrestrial Paradise. * The Merchants got immense Riches; and it was a common Saying in that Time, That if the World were a Ring, Ormus must be the Diamond in it. But Anno 1622, the English and Persians besieged Ormus by Land and Water, and after they had made themselves Masters thereof, demolished it; since which Time there have been built upon the same Spot about 4000 Houses by the Perfians, who carry on a great Trade in Jewels, Pearls, and Spices. x 2. Bahren, or Baharen, another Island in the Gulph of Balfora, but thinly peopled for want of fresh Water, there being but one Well, or Spring, in the whole Island. Here is a great Pearl Fishery.

Qu. What is the Civil Government of Persia?

Ans. The King, or Schach of Persia, is a Sovereign Prince, and keeps a grand Court, which is in its greatest Splendor, when he gives Audience to foreign The Audience Room is illuminated Ambassadors. with Lights; he himself sits on a Gold Carpet; a surprifing Quantity of Vessels are placed about him, all of pure Gold; before him stand a great Number of Lions, Elephants, Tygers, and Leopards, fecured with golden Chains, and fed out of golden Troughs.

The Law-Book of the Persians is the Alcoran, by which Criminals are feverely punished. * A Murderer is delivered up to the Relations of the Deceased, who

may do with him what they please.

Qu. What is the Religion of the Persians?

Ans. They are Mahometans, but of another Sect than the Turks. The third Successor of Mahomet was Omar, and the fixth Aly, both differed in the ExpliExplication of the Alcoran; the Turks hold it with Omar, and the Persians with Aly. In some Parts of Persia they worship the Sun and the Fire, and the Priest's holding a new-born Child towards the Sun, or over a Fire, is their Baptism.

CHAP. III.

Of the EAST-INDIES.

Qu. WHAT Sort of a Country is the East-Indies?

Ans. It is a very large, rich, and powerful Empire, lying between the two famous Rivers Indus and Ganges.

Qu. What are the Boundaries of this Country?

Ans. Eastwards it borders upon China, Westwards upon Persia, Northward on the Great Tartary, and Southwards on the Gulph of Bengal. Its Length is computed 2400 Miles, and its Breath 2000.

Qu. How are the East-Indies divided?

Ans. Into three Capital Parts. I. The Continent of Indostan. II. The Peninsula on this Side the Ganges. And III. The Peninsula on the other Side the Ganges.

I. Of the Continent of Indostan.

Qu. Into what Countries is the Continent of In-

dostan divided, and what is its Extent?

Ans. It is 1200 Miles long, and contains 35 King-doms, which are governed by one Sovereign, called the Great Mogul. Most of the Countries towards Tartary are unknown, wherefore we must enquire.

Qu. Which are to us the most noted Kingdoms in

the Great Mogul's Dominions?

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Ans. I. The Kingdom of Agra, which lies almowing the Middle thereof. II. The Kingdom of Gusur fituated along that Coast, where the River Indus sainto the Sea. And III. The Kingdom of Beng which lies along the Coast, where the River Gang shows into the Indian Sea.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in the Kin

dom of Agra?

Ans. 1. Agra, formerly the Capital of the who Empire, and the Residence of the Great Mogul, 48 Miles in Circumference. The Wall that encorpasses it is 100 Feet wide. 2. Delly, the prese Capital; the Great Mogul's Palace there, is the m sumptuous in all the East. 3. Jeanaba is the secon Residence, which was built on account of the who some Climate in which it is situated.

Qu. Which are the chief Towns in Gusurat?

1. Surat, an important Sea-port, where the Enlish have a large Factory.

2. Diou, is a very strong Town on a little Island

It formerly belonged to the Portuguese.

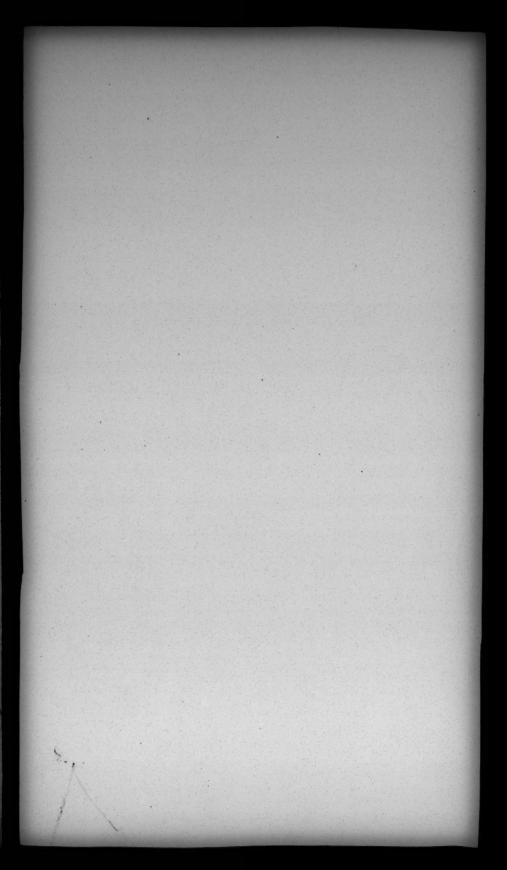
3. Cambaja, is a fine trading City, and is call the *Indian Cairo*, on account of its Largeness a fruitful Soil.

4. Labor is 24 Miles in Circumference; here a magnificent Palace, where fometimes the Gramogul has refided.

Qu. What have we to remark concerning t

Kingdom of Bengal?

Ans. In the Kingdom of Bengal the People a very vicious, they believe that washing themselves the River Ganges, clears them from all their Si It is one of the most fruitful Countries in the Wo for Rice, Sugar, Spices, Cotton, Silks, Fowls, She Hogs, Fish, &c. But the Countries North are muinfested with Elephants, Tygers, &c. The Riv swarm with Crocodiles. Ougeli is the Capital, an large trading Town, well fortified.





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The City of *Nacracut* is famous on Account of the Idol, to whom Pilgrims offer a Bit of their Tongue.

Qu. What else is there remarkable on the Conti-

nent of the East Indies?

Ans. 1. The Roads throughout the Country are very broad, and lined on both Sides with Date, and Cocoa Trees.

2. In the South Parts it rains for four Months

continually; the rest is fair Weather.

3. The Winds blow fix Months fucceffively from

the North, the other fix Months from the South.

4. This Country has rich Mines of Gold, Silver, Diamonds, Rubies, Emeralds, Saphires, and other Precious Stones; there are also Pearl Fisheries on several Sea Coasts.

5. Other Commodities, which are fent to Europe in Abundance are, Silk, Cotton, Bezoar, Amber, Zibith, Indigo, Ginger, Cinnamon, Pepper, Saltpetre, and many other Things.

Qu. What is the Complexion and Character of

the Indians in General?

Anf. Some are of a Mulatto, Yellow Brownish Cast, and some are Black; in some Parts there are Whites of the Female Sex, who are married at seven or eight Years. The Indians are of an expert Genius, especially those in the Kingdom of Cachimir; and at Lerogne in the Kingdom of Malva, where they make a transparent Linnen, worn by the Women of the Great Mogul, thro' which every Part of their Body and Shape may be viewed. Besides this, they carry on great Manusacturies in Silk, Callicoes, Linnen, and several other ingenious and useful Handicrasts.

Qu. What is the Government of this Country?

Ans. This vast Empire has the Great Mogul for its Sovereign; his Revenues amount yearly to 250

Millions of Crowns; besides the Treasure left by his Predeceffors, which is reckoned to amount to no less than 250 Millions of Crowns, both in Coin and Jewels. His Expences on the other Hand are very great; he keeps in constant Pay 300,000 Horse, besides an innumerable Army of Foot. By a Lift of his Encampment against the Persians 1658, it appears that the Mogul then had 216,000 Cavalry, and 864,000 Infantry, besides 50,000 Elephants that ferved in this Camp. The Great Mogul also has a Guard of 100 Tartarian Ladies armed with Bows, Scimeters, and Darts, commanded by one of their own Sex. His Birth-day has been kept in a very extraordinary Manner for three Days, on which he is weighed, and receives Presents from his Nobles. He had seven Thrones extremely rich; one was begun by Tamerlane, and finished 200 Years after, which is valued at 60 Mill. of Crowns. But in what Condition that Treasure is, since the Conquest of that Country by Kouli Kan in 1739, who made Spoil of the immense Treasure the Moguls had heaped up for many Years, Time must discover. The Mogul's Courtiers are most of them of mean Extraction; he who was a little while ago a Coachman or Porter, is now a great Minister of State. The Laws throughout the Land are very severe against Offenders, and the Execution of a Criminal is not performed by a Hangman, but by Elephants, who have learned either to haften or to flacken the Death of the Malefactor.

Qu. What Religions prevail most in this Country? Ans. Two, viz. Mahometanism and Paganism. The Great Mogul is a Mahometan, as are the Nobility and better Sort; but of the common People

there are five Pagans to one Mahometan.

II.

Of the Peninsula on this Side the River GANGES.

Qu. How large is this Part of the East-Indies?
Ans. It is 1160 Miles long, and 960 Miles wide. It is governed by several Kings, but most of them either are Vassals to the Great Mogul, or pay Tribute to some Europeans.

Qu. Which are the principal Coasts in this Coun-

try !

Anf. There are Five, viz.

I. Decan. II. Malabar. III. Madara, or Mandura. IV. Coromandel. And V. Golconda.

I. Of the Coast of DECAN.

Qu. What is principally to be observed of this Coast?

Ans. That it lies Westwards; is 400 Miles long, and contains three Kingdoms, Decan, Visapour and Canara; wherein the English and Portuguese have several Settlements.

In the Kingdom of Decan, wherein is, 1. Amedanager, the King's Residence. 2. Chaul, a Harbour belonging to the Portuguese. 3. Bazaim and Daman, two good Towns of the Portuguese. 4. Bombay, a good Fort and Harbour, belonging to the

English.

In the Kingdom of Visapour is, 1. Visapour, the Royal Residence, 20 Miles in Circumference. And 2. Goa, belonging to the Portugueze, and is their Staple for East-India Goods. The Town is 24 Miles in Circumference; and altho' it is not walled in, yet is well secured by six strong Forts. The Harbour is incomparable, and is defended by two Forts.

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The Kingdom of Canora is most Part of it in the Power of the Portugueze; wherein is Onor, a City and Harbour, and several other Towns.

II. Of the Coast of MALABAR.

Qu. Which are the principal Places on this Coast? Ans. The Coast of Malabar is 360 Miles long, and 160 Miles wide; it contains eight considerable Kingdoms.

I. The Kingdom of Cananor, wherein is Cananor, the Capital, and Residence of the King, who has but little Power, since the Dutch have made themselves

Masters of most Part of that Country.

II. The Kingdom of Calicut, wherein is Calicut, the Capital and Residence of the King, who is stilled Zamorin, i. e. God of the Earth. He is an Idolater.

III. The Kingdom of Cranganor, the King whereof is a Vassal to Calicut; wherein is Cranganor, in the Possession of the Dutch, who have fortified it. The King resides in an open Town of the same Name.

IV. The Kingdom of Cochin, or Kout-Scien, a terrestrial Paradice, and therefore well-peopled. In it is Cochin, the Capital, a fine well-built City, belonging

to the Dutch.

V. The Kingdom of Calicoulan, with a Capital of that Name, is of no great Confequence.

VI. The Kingdom of Porca, or Percati, is but

a fmall Province.

VII. The Kingdom of Cowlon, or Coylan, with a City of that Name, belongs to the Dutch. The King resides in a mean Place.

VIII. The Kingdom of Travancor is united to

that of Cowlon.

III. Of the Coast of MADURA.

Qu. To whom belongs the Coast of Madura?

Ans. It has several petty Kings who are of no Note.

Note. The Dutch have here a famous Pearl-Fishery. Madura is the Capital, and has a Fort.

IV. Of the Coast of COROMANDEL.

Qu. What is principally to be taken Notice of in

this Country?

Ans. That it contains two Kingdoms, 1. The Kingdom of Bisnagar, wherein lies Tranguebar; which from a mean Village is become an opulent City, built by the Danes, who pay fome Tribute to the King of Bisnagar. 2. The Kingdom of Narfinga, wherein is Narfinga, the Capital, and Refidence of the King.

V. The Kingdom and Country of Golconda.

Qu. What is most remarkable with respect to this Coast ?

1. That it stretches forth 800 Miles in Anf. Length. 2. It produces all Manner of Necessaries of Life; and from hence is brought the Bezoar-3. Bagnagar, is the King's Residence, who is a Vassal to the Great Mogul,

III.

Of the Peninsula on the other Side the River GANGES.

Qu. What Kingdoms are in this Peninfula? Anf. This is a large Country; from North to South it is 1840 Miles long, and from East to West 960

Miles wide. It contains the following Kingdoms: I. Assem, whose King takes no Taxes of his Subjects, but is contented with the Profits arising from the Mines, which are worked by Slaves. The Men have large Crops on their Throats. 2. Tirpa, a small Kingdom; the Women have Crops on their

Throats. K 5

Throats. 3. Arracan, the King whereof is honour ed like a God, and vouchfafes his Subjects to fee him but but once in five Years; he stiles himself the Kin of the White Elephant. 4. Ava, a powerful Kingdom wherein is Ava, the Residence of the King. 5. Peg had formerly a powerful King, but is now a Vaffal to the King of Ava. 6. Martaban, a small Kingdom united to that of Pegu. 7. The Kingdom of Sian which is 600 Miles long, and 200 wide; the Capita is Siam, wherein are 400,000 Houses built on Piles There are 30,000 Temples in this City. The Roya Palace is covered with Plates of pure Gold, which when the Sun shines upon them give a most glaring Lustre. 8. Tanasserie, a small Kingdom. 9. Malacca a Peninsula, wherein is Malacca, a strong fortified Town, belonging to the Dutch. 10. Cambaja, where in is Cambaja, the Capital, much frequented by the Portugueze and other Nations. 11. Cochinchina, which is 600 Miles long, and 200 wide; this Country ha white Inhabitants, which are a civilized, honest an fair dealing People. 12. Tonquin, a powerful King dom, formerly belonged to the Emperor of China but about 700 Years ago, it revolted, and chose i own King; Keco, or Cacao, is the Capital and Rel dence; it is 20 Miles in Circumference. 13. Lao. which is a Part of China, but has revolted and cho their own King.

CHAP. IV.

Of the Great TARTARY.

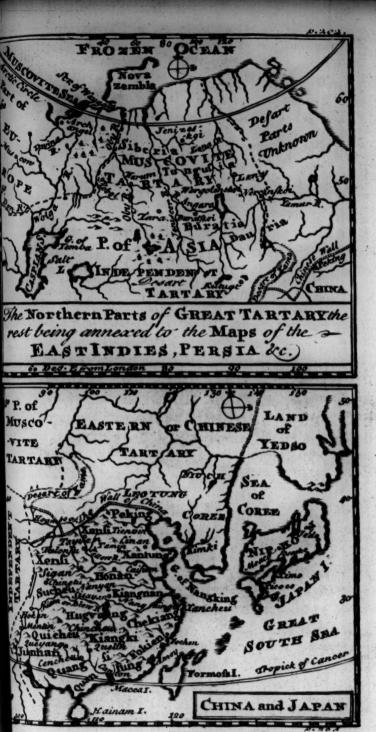
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Anf. It contains the third Part of Afia, and is from West to East 2400 Miles, and from South to Nort 2000 Miles.





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Ans. It may be distinguished into three Parts, I. The Russian Tartary in Asia. II. The Chinese Tartary. And III. The Independent Tartary.

Of the Russian TARTARY.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in the Rus-

han Tartary?

Ans. That the Russians have no certain Boundaries to this Country, but that it reaches as far as their Authority can carry it; but however it is computed that from West to East it is 1200, and from South to North 800 Miles.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in it?
Ans. The Asiatic Siberia, which by the newest Geographers is placed between the two Rivers Oby and feniscey; the Capital is Narum, where is a Russian Garrison. 2 Tungusia, which lies between the Rivers Oenisca and Lena ; Jenizeskoi, is the Capital, a large, and populous Town. 3. Buratia, on the River Angara; of which Buratskoi is the Capital. 4. Dauria, which is the last Province of the Russians; of which Nercinskoi is the Capital.

II. Of the CHINESE TARTARY.

Qu. What is most observable in the Chinese Tar-

tary ?

Ans. 1. That this Country was separated from China by a Wall; but the Tartars, upwards of 100 Years ago, made shift to climb over, and made themselves Masters of the whole Empire of China, and fince have united those two Countries together under one Emperor, who is of the Tartarian Race. The Chinese Tartary is 1200 Miles long, and is diffinguished by the Oriental, and Occidental Tartary.

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Qu. How is this Country divided?

Anf. Into five Parts, viz. 1. Tangut, a Kingdom Westwards. 2. Niuche. 3. Niulba, a Kingdom Northwards. 4. Coree, a Peninsula. 5. Xamo, a Desart.

III. Of the Independent TARTARY.

Qu. What is principally remarkable in the Inde-

pendent Tartary?

Ans. 1. Turkestan, near the Caspian Sea. 2. Mawaralnahra, below the Caspian Sea, wherein is Samarcand, a City; the Birth-place of the Great Tamerlane. 3. Thibet, a Kingdom towards the Borders of the East-Indies. 4. Tangut, a large Kingdom bordering upon China. Besides these there are Numbers of Tartars, who go in Herds, and encamp sometimes in one Place, and sometimes in another.

Qu. What Sort of People are the Asiatick Tartars

in General?

Anf. They are strong limbed, and inured to Fatigue. They use Sabres, Bows and Arrows; and he that is most expert in those Weapons, has learned all that makes him compleat. The Men go to War, and the Women carry on Trade.

Qu. What is the Tartarian Religion?

Ans. Most of them are Idolaters. They have a High-Priest, who, as they are made to believe, is subject to die indeed, but always rises again from Death. They burn their Dead; and some make choice of a particular Tree, on which they hang the Bodies of their deceased Friends and Relations.

CHAP. V.

Of the Empire of CHINA.

Qu. HOW is China fituated?

Ans. This large Empire borders upon

Tartary Northwards; it has the East-Indies Westwards;

wards; on the South and East it has the Great Ocean. Its Extent from South to North is 1500 Miles, and from East to West above 1100 Miles.

Qu. How is this Empire divided?

I. Peking, wherein are 8 large, and 135 small Cities; the Chief of which is Peking, a City 24 Miles in Circumference, and the ordinary Residence

of the Emperor of China.

II. The Province of Xansi, which joins to the Great Wall, and was built by the Chinese, to keep the Tartars from making Incursions. It has 5 large, and 92 small Cities.

III. Xenfi, which has 8 large, and 107 small

Cities.

IV. Xantung, which lies East towards the Ocean, having 6 large, and 92 small Cities.

V. Honan, which joins to the former, has 8 large,

and roo fmall Cities.

VI. The Province of Sucheu, towards the Great Tartary, which has 8 large, and 124 small Cities.

VII. Hugvang, which lies in the Middle of the Empire, wherein are 15 large, and 108 small Cities.

VIII. Kiangki, which joins to the former East-

wards, has 13 large, and 87 fmall Cities.

IX. The Province of Kiangnan, Eastwards, near the Sea, which has 14 large, and 110 small Cities; the principal one is Nangking, formerly the Residence of the Emperors. This City is surrounded with a Wall 24 Miles long; without this Wall are the Suburbs, also encompassed with another Wall, which contains 80 Miles, the Foundations whereof are built with Free-stone, but the Walls themselves with Brick.

X. Chekiang, which lies a little below, near the Sea, and has II large, and 63 small Cities; the

chief

chief of which is, Xancheu, almost as large as Peking; it has 12,000 Stone Bridges.

XI. The Province of Fokien, which lies also near

the Sea, has 8 large, and 48 fmall Cities.

XII. Quantung, which lies South towards the Sea: in it are 10 large, and 70 small Cities; the principal one is Quangcheu, 20 Miles in Circumference. Here is made the finest Porcelain, or China-Ware.

XIII. Quanfi, which borders on the Kingdom of

Tonquin. It has II large, and 99 small Cities. XIV. Queicheu, which joins to the former Province Westwards, and has eight large, and 10 small Cities.

XV. Junnan the furthermost Province Westwards,

which has 12 large, and 84 small Cities.

China contains together, 143 large, and 1220 fmall Cities.

Qu. Which are the Islands belonging to China? Ans. 1. Hainam. 2. Formosa. And 3. Maoca, a finall Island belonging to the Portugueze.

Qu. What Form of Government is in China?

Ans. The Emperor governs absolutely; his Subjects call him Thienfu, i. e. The Son of Heaven, His Revenues amount to more than the Great Mogul's: Some fay he has 300 Millions of Crowns; befides the Contribution of Provisions for his Court.

Qu. What Sort of People are the Inhabitants of

China?

Ans. They are pretty white, and have black Hair. The Women are small, but extremely beautiful. The People are in general very courteous and civil to Strangers, but they must either continue there for Life, or depart quickly. It is computed that the Number of Souls amounts to 70 Millions.

Qu. What is the Religion of the Chinese?

Ans. They are chiefly divided into three Sects. The The First are the Followers of Confucius's Doctrine; who taught the Observation of the Law of Nature, as the greatest Felicity Man can enjoy. They worship one God, and believe that the World did exist from Eternity.

The Second Sect hold a Plurality of Worlds, and

the Pythagorian Principles of Transmigration.

The Third Sect are Idolaters, and addicted to Necromancy; they think the greatest Felicity consists in Voluptuousness and Luxury.

CHAP. VI.

Of the Asiatick ISLANDS.

Qu. WHICH are the Asiatic Islands?

Ans. I. The Maldivas Islands, which are 12,000 in Number, and lie in one Tract near, and under the Equator; most of them are small; the largest are the Islands Male and Dive. All these Islands are governed by one King, who resides at Male.

II. The Island Ceylon, which abounds with Spices, from whence the Dutch carry them to all Parts of the World. This Island was first discovered by the Portugueze; but 100 Years after, the Dutch made

themselves Masters of all the Sea Coast.

III. Sumatra, which lies near the Peninsula of Malacca. This Island is 400 Miles long, and 120 wide. It produces Rice, Sugar, Cinnamon, Ginger, Long Pepper, Lemons, Oranges and fine Silk. There are also Mines of Lead, Iron, Silver and Gold. The Dutch have five fine Forts along the Sea Coast.

IV. Java, which has several Kings, but the Dutch are the most powerful there. This Island pro-

duces

duces Abundance of Sugar-Canes. Batavia is by the Dutch built near the Sea, where the Governor

keeps a Royal Court.

V. Borneo, which is one of the largest of the Assatic Islands; the Produce of it are, Spices, Wax, Sugar, Honey, Cotton, Tin, Iron, Gold, Quick-filver, and the finest Diamonds. Borneo, is the Capital. There are several Kings upon this Island, who are unmolested by the Europeans. The Dutch only have here some Forts upon the Coast, and are content with them, as long as they can thereby protect their Trade.

VI. Celebes, a Spice Island, to which both the English and Dutch trade. This Island, with Suma-

tra and Borneo, lie under the Equator.

VII. The Molucca Islands, which are under the Line, opposite to the Celebes, and are most of them

Spice Islands belonging to the Dutch.

VIII. The *Philippine* Islands, which are about 1200; 40 or 50 are pretty large. Lucan, is the largest, and principal Island, wherein is Manilla, a well-built and fortified City.

CHAP. VII.

Of the Empire of JAPAN.

Qu. HOW is the Country of Japan divided?

Ans. Into 3 large, and 24 small Islands.

Qu. Which are the three large Islands?

Anf. I. Niphon. II. Xicoco. And III. Ximo. The Second Island, Xicoco, is by some called Bogno.

Qu. Which are the chief Cities in this Empire?

Ans. 1. Jedo, in the Island Niphon, which is the ordinary Residence of the Emperor, and a vast large,

and populous City. The Houses are but meanly built of Wood and Clay. In the Year 1658, 100,000 Houses, and with them a great Number of the Inhabitants, were burnt in less than eight and forty Hours. The Imperial Palace is in the Middle of the City, and well fortified. 2. Ofacko, which has fometimes the Honour to be the Emperor's Refidence. In this City is a Temple, of a magnificent Structure, wherein they worship the Devil. 3. Meaco, the ordinary Residence of the Dairo, or the Great Patriarch of the Japanese.

Qu. What is the Government of Fapan?

Ans. The Emperor is Sovereign Prince, and all the Kings in his Land are his Vassals. His Counsellors are called Mandarins, who make Remonstrances to him, and what Sentence he passes, no Man must presume to contradict.

The Emperor keeps ordinarily 100,000 Foot, and 20,000 Horse. His Revenues amount to 283 Mil-

lions of Crowns.

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Qu. What is the Religion of the Japanese?
Ans. They are gross Idolaters, and have several lols, but among the rest at Meaco, in a stately Temple is one of gilt Copper, whose Chair is 70 loot high, and 80 broad: His Head is big enough bhold fifteen Men, and his Thumb is forty Inches ound; the rest of the Body is proportionable. The lonzes, or Priests, are the greatest Cheats and Vilins in the World: They will borrow Money of cople, and give them for it promissary Notes, payble in the other World; they foretel Fire, when bey themselves are the Incendiaries, to have an Oportunity for Plunder.



Of AFRICA.

CHAP. I.

Qu. FROM whence had Africa its Name?

Ans. From Afro, the Son of Hercules, fome will have it; but Authors differ in their Onions, and the Origin of its Name is uncertain.

Qu. Which are the Boundaries of Africa?

Ans. It has Eastwards the Red-Sea, and the O
ental Ocean; Westwards the Atlantick Ocea
Southwards it has the Æthiopian, or that Sea whi
divides it from Terra Australis; and on the No
the Mediterranean.

Qu. How large is Africa?

Ans. It is reckoned to be almost as large again Europe, and to be 14,400 Miles in Circumference

Qu. How is Africa divided?

Ans. Into four capital Parts, viz. 1. Those Coutries towards the North. 2. Those towards West. 3. Those to the South. And 4. Those the East.

Qu. How many Countries lie to the North?

Ans. Five. 1. Barbary. 2. Biledulgerid. 3. Neg

Land. 4. Nubia. And 5. The Canary Islands.

CHAP. II. Of BARBARY.

Qu. HOW far doth this Country extend?

Ans. From the Streights of Gibraltar, the River Nile, which is computed to be 2300 M in Length, and 380 in Breadth.

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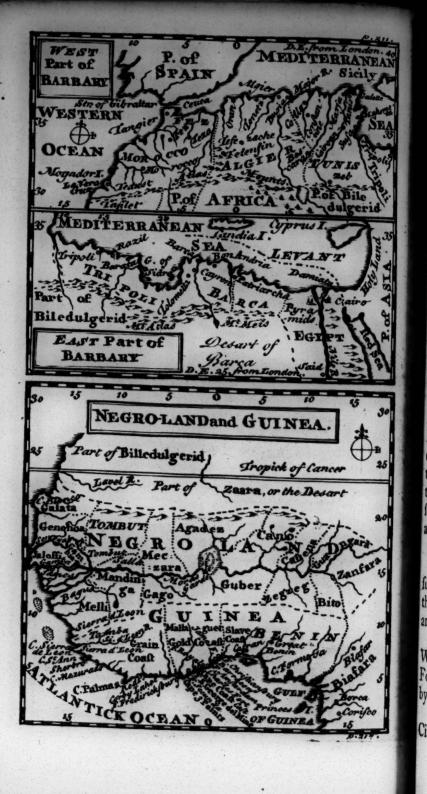
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Qu. How is this large Country divided?

Ans. Into five large Empires, viz. I. Morocco. II. Algier. III. Tunis. IV. Tripoli. And V. Barcan.

Qu. What Countries belong to the first Division? Ans. I. Morocco, a Kingdom 400 Miles long, and 200 broad, wherein is, I. Morocco, formerly the Capital, and Residence of the Emperors. 2. Mogador, a small Island with a Fort. 3. Azamor, a large and well peopled City. 4. Tedust, a Town, principally inhabited by Fews.

II. Fez, a Kingdom, wherein is, 1. Fez, the Capital, and the richest City in all Barbary. Here is the Residence of the Emperor of Morocco. The Houses of this City are three Stories high, built with Stone. It has 86 Gates, 200 Streets, and 700 Mosques. The chief Mosque is a stately Building, the Pillars whereof are all Marble. Here live Turks, Tartars, Persians, Moors, Greeks, French, English, Dutch, and other Nations. 2. Tangier, a strong Fortification, was in Possession by the English, who demolished and left it in 1685. 3. Ceuta, well for-tified, now in the Possession of Spain, but has continued under a constant Blockade by the Moors for leveral Years past, who traffick in the Town all Day, and fire against it all Night.

Qu. What belongs to the fecond Division?

Ans. The second Division contains the Countries Subject to the Republic of Algiers, which lies along the Mediterranean; it is reckoned 800 Miles long, and 280 broad. It is divided into five Provinces, viz.

I. Algier, wherein is Algier, the Capital; the Walls about which are twelve Foot thick, and 30 Foot high. It was in 1688 most terribly bombarded by the French.

II. Telensin, wherein is, 1. Telensin, the Capital City. 2. Tefezache, four Miles distant from the former.

former. And 3. Oran, a small, but strong City now in the Possession of the King of Spain.

III. Tenetz, a small Kingdom. Tenetz is its Ca

pital, with a Harbour and Fort.

IV. Bugia, a small Kingdom, wherein is Bugia the Capital, with a Harbour and Fort.

V. Constantine, a Kingdom, wherein is Constan

tine, a large, and fine City.

Qu. What else is observable in this Country?

Anf. The People thereof are the richest, and mo noted Rovers in Africa. It is thought that no Place in the World possesses so much Treasure in Species. They are cruel, treacherous, and covetous. Tho' the Country contains a great deal of barren Ground, yet nevertheless there is in general Plenty of Corn, Cattle, Game, Dates, Figs, Olive Almonds, and Raisins. The Air is temperate, and in some Places, they have three Harvests in a Year The Inhabitants are chiefly Moors, who settled there after they were driven out of Spain.

Qu. Which is the third Division of Barbary?

Anf. Tunis.

Qu. What is principally to be noted in Tunis?

Anf. That it is the Country formerly called Ter.

Punica, and wherein Carthage was the Capit

That it was governed by their own King

That now it is a Republick of the Turks.

Qu. What is chiefly to be remarked in the Kin

dom of Tunis?

Ans. Tunis is the Capital, which has a ftrom Castle upon an Eminence. In the old Palace is keep the Divan, wherein also resides the Bey. Beside this City, there are several others, viz. 1. Mars a Town, where formerly Carthage stood. 2. Sus which stands on a Rock, and has a good Harbon 3. Mahometa, a fine City near the Sea. 4. Cairon

Burial-place of their former Kings. 5. Gulette, a frong Fortification, and Fence to Tunis; it is built m a little Island. The ordinary Imposts of this Republic amount to 400,000 Crowns.

Qu. Which is the fourth Division of Barbary?

Ans. Tripoli.
Qu. What is observable in Tripoli?

Ans. That it is a Kingdom which lies along the Mediterranean, wherein is, 1. Tripoli, the Capital; which tho' not very large, is populous. 2. Lepeta, a City, Harbour, and Citadel.

Qu. What is the Government of Tripoli?

Ans. The same as that of Tunis: They are reguated by a Divan, or Common-Council, of which he Bey is Prefident.

The Revenues of this Kingdom amount to 360,000 frowns per Ann. In Time of Need it can raise an

Irmy of 40,000 Men.

Qu. Which is the fifth Division of Barbary?

Anf. The Kingdom of Barca.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in that

lingdom?

Ans. 1. That it lies along the Mediterranean, is 00 Miles in Length, and 160 in Breadth; and that former Times it was called Cyrenaica. 2. That te Country is spoor, having but little Land well ultivated. It also wants Springs, and scarce any hing thrives there but Dates. 3. The principal aces are; I. Barca, a poor Town near the Sea. Cayron, or old Cyrene, a mean Place, having now othing left of its former Grandeur, by which it vied th Carthage. 3. Berenice, an old, mean City. Tolometta, which is only a Ruin of Ptolemais. Bon-Andria, which is now the best Place in that ountry.

This Country, with Egypt, fell into the Hands the Turks, and is governed by a Bashaw, who

dides at Tripoli.

CHAP. III. Of BILDULGERID.

Qu. HOW is this Country divided?

Anf. It has feveral Kingdoms which lie

from East to West in the following Order.

1. Sus. 2. Taffilet, and 3. Dara, which belong to the Emperor of Morocco. 4. Teffet, the King whereo is a Vaffal to Morocco. Teffet and Archa are the principal Towns in this Kingdom. 5. Segelmesse whose King is tributary to Morocco. 6. Thowet whose King is a Vassal to Morocco. 7. Tegorarin. which has more wild Beafts in it than human Spe cies, and is tributary to Morocco. 8. Zeb, the King whereof is tributary to Algier. This Country want both Corn and Water; the Natives feed upon Dates Camel-Flesh, and Camel's Milk. 9. Techort, and 10. Guargala, are tributary to Algiers. 11. Prope Bildulgerid, from whence the whole Country has it Name, is tributary to Tunis. 12. Gademes. 13. Fez zen. 14. Teorregu, are all tributary to Tripoli 15. Part of Barca, a large Defart, on which for merly stood the Temple of Jupiter Hammon.

CHAP. IV.

Of ZAARA, or the Defart.

Qu. WHAT Sort of Country is Zaara i

Anf. It lies directly under the Tropic of Cancer

is 2400 Miles long, and 600 wide.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. It contains ten Kingdoms, viz. 1. Zanhaga.
2. Azoat. 3. Tegassa. 4. Zuenziga. 5. Gogden.
6. Targa. 7. Lempta. 8. Berdoa. 9. Gaoga.
And 10. Borno.

Qu. What Sort of People inhabit this Defart?

Anf. The Natives are undaunted, and will not only face, but engage with a Lion whenever they meet one, which they frequently do. Their chief Occupation is looking after their Camels, which are very ferviceable to them. The Southern Part of this Country is full of Sand, the Middle full of Stones; and Eastwards it is full of Morasses. From the Month of August till Winter, it rains continually, which causes some Grass to grow out of the Sand, for the Support of the Cattle.

Qu. What is the Religion of this Country?

Ans. Mahometanism is introduced and professed in Parts of it; but the Inhabitants for the Generality we without any Religion at all.

CHAP. V.

NIGRITIA, or the Land of the NEGROES.

ROM whence is this Country called Ni-gritia?

Ans. From the Colour of its Inhabitants, or from the River Niger, which flows from East to West to this Country.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Anf. Into 16 Provinces, viz.

1. Galata. 2. Tombus. 3. Agades. 4. Cano. 5. Cafma. 6. Gangara. 7. Melli. 8. Mandinga. 9. Gago.
0. Guber. 11. Zegzeg. 12. Zanfara. 13. Genehoa.
4 Gambia. 15. Jaloffi. And 16. Biafara.

Qu. What is most observable in this Country?

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Ans. 1. That the River Niger waters it, as the Nile does Egypt. 2. The Negro Trade is in this Country of great Consequence. 3. The English have in a Manner monopolized it, and transport great Numbers of them to their Plantations in the West-Indies.

OF GUINEA.

Qu. WHAT Sort of Country is Guinea?

Anf. It is a fine Coast along the Atlantick and Æthiopick Ocean, above 2200 Mile long, and 600 broad.

Qu. Into how many Provinces is this large Coun

try divided?

Ans. Into four Parts; 1. The Coast of Guinea 2. Malaguette. 3. Benin. And 4. Biafara. The four capital Parts are again divided into 52 King doms; but as many of them are of little or no Signification, they are not worth taking Notice of.

I. Of the Coast of GUINEA.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in the Coa

of Guinea?

Ans. 1. That Coast which is near the Cape Palma is commonly called by the Sailors the Tooth-Coast on Account of the great Trade carried on there will Elephant's Teeth. 2. The Gold-Coast, so call'd from the Gold Sand which is found in the Rivers there.

Qu. To whom does this Coast belong?

Ans. To three different Nations; namely, 1. To English. 2. The Dutch. And 3. The Danes. To Situation of their respective Places are best seen

the Map of Africa.

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H. MALAGUETTE, the Second Division of Guinea.

Qu. What is observable in Malaguette?

Anf. This Part of the Coast of Guinea is not much frequented by the Europeans; the Shore is commonly by Sailors called the Pepper-Shore, because of the Pepper that grows there in Abundance.

III. BENIN, the Third Division of GUINEA.

Qu. What is remarkable in Benin?

Ans. That it is a large Kingdom, where the Portuguese carry on a considerable Trade, but have no Settlement.

2. This Country produces Pepper, Cotton, Honey,

Wax, Ambergris, &c.

3. The King of this Country is adored like a God; he can in one Day raise an Army of 20,000, may, in Time of Need 100,000 Men. × He keeps 1000 Concubines: Out of the Sons he has by them, the Number of which commonly is very large, he nominates one for his Successor, and after the King's Death he is declared King, but the rest of his Brownen are obliged to hang themselves.

4. Benin, is the Capital, and is 20 Miles in Cir-

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IV. BLAFARA, the Fourth Division of GUINEA.

Qu. What is observable in Blafara?

Ans. It is a Country 1280 Miles long, and 640 toad; but on Account of its dangerous Shores, arrenness, and excessive Heat, it is but little fremented by the Europeans.

Qu. What is the Religion of the People on the

oast of Guinea?

Anf. They acknowledge two Divine Principles or Beings, the one Good, and the other Evil, and both are worshipped by them. In some Parts Mahometism is introduced, but not much observed.

CHAP. VII. Of EGYPT.

Qu. ROM whence had Egypt its Name?

Ans. From Egyptus, their first King, the Turks call this Country Misir, and in sacred Writis is called Mizraim, or rather Mitzraim.

Qu. How is Egypt divided?

Ans. Into three different Parts, 1. viz. Lowe Egypt. 2. Middle Egypt. And 3. Upper Egypt.

Qu. Which are the principal Cities in Lowe

Egypt?

Ans. 1. Cairo, or Grand Cairo, which is not only the largest City in Egypt, but in the whole World It is divided into three Parts, Old Cairo, New Cairo and Bulac. It is 48 Miles in Circumference; has 24,000 Streets, and almost as many Mosques The Number of Inhabitants are reckoned to be Millions, of which one is supposed to consist of Jew. 1. Alexandria, a City built by Alexander the Great near it is Pharus. In this Place King Ptolemy has the Bible translated into Greek, by the 70 Interpreters. 3. Damiata, a Sea Port in the Mediterranean and a populous trading City.

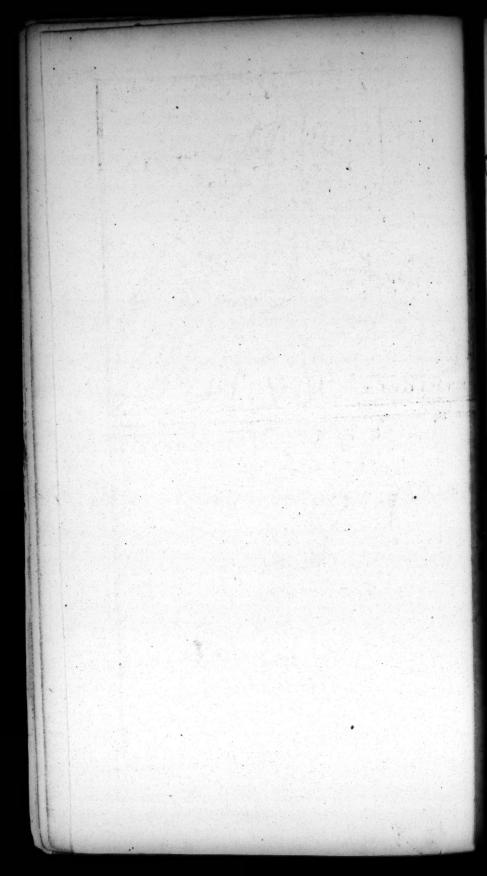
II. Qu. Which are the chief Places in the Mid

dle Egypt?

Ans. 1. Suez, a small, but famous City near the Red-Sea. 2. Azyrut, a small Town near that Pa of the Red-Sea, through which the Children of Isra passed. 3. Bethsemes, situate between the Red-Sea and the Nile, which was the old-City Hieropolis whe



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where stood the Obelisks, erected in Honour of the Sun; till they were demolished by the Tyrant Cambyses: Some of them were preserved, and carried to Rome. 4. Moeris, by some new Geographers called Lacdekern, which is a large Lake, and near it is the samous Labyrinth built of Marble, 500 Years before Christ, of which there are still some subterraneous Walks remaining.

III. Qu. Which are the principal Places in Upper

Egypt?

Ans. 1. Thebes, which was once a City that had 100 Royal Palaces, was situated near the Nile, but no Remains of its Grandeur are now remaining.
2. Suquan, a Harbour near the Red-Sea.
3. Cossir, a large City, and Harbour near the Red-Sea.

Qu. Which are the most noted Waters in Egypt?
Ans. 1. The Red-Sea, the Length whereof is
1200 Miles, and the Breadth 200 Miles. 2. The
River Nile, which has its Source in Abyssinia, and
runs from South to North for 200 Miles in the Mediterranean.

CHAP. VIII.

Of the Kingdom of NUBIA.

Qu. WHERE lies the Kingdom of Nubia?

Ans. Along the Nile, between Egypt and Abyssinia.

Qu. What is principally to be observed in this

Country?

Ans. 1. It is 1000 Miles long from South to North, and 600 Miles broad from West to East. 2. The Air is very hot in the Day-time, but cool in the Night-time. 3. Along the Nile it is pretty well inhabited, but the Inland Country is full of Desarts, L 2 wherein

wherein harbour abundance of Lions, Tygers, Elephants, &c. and the Nile swarms with Crccodiles.

4. The Commodities of this Kingdom are Sugar, Linnen, Ivory, and black Horses. This Country produces a subtile, and incurable Poison, one Grain of which is able to kill ten Men in half an Hour; an Ounce is fold for 100 Ducats. Here is also found Gold, and Gold-Sand in the Rivers. 5. This Country is governed by one Sovereign King, who is in Alliance with the Abyssines, the better to withstand the Turks, their utter Enemies.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in Nubia?

Ans. 1. Nubia, the Residence of the King, which lies near the River Nile, and is very large. The Houses are but one Story high, and covered with Turf and Stone, to keep off the Heat of the Sun. 2. Duncala, near the Nile, which is a large and populous City; the Houses are mean, but very rich Merchants reside there. 3. Jalac, a City in an Island in the Nile. 4. Sennar, which lies on the Frontiers of Abyssinia.

Qu. What is the Religion of the Nubians?

Anf. They were formerly Christians, and had remained so, if they had been supplied with Missionaries from Europe. At present they are strict Mahometans, or gross Idolaters.

CHAP. IX. Of ABYSSINIA.

Qu. WHAT is the Country of Abyssinia?

Ans. It is that which is also called Athiopia, or the Country of the Moors.

Qu. Where doth this Country lie, and how

large is it?

Ans.

Anf. It joins Northwards to Nubia, and the Red-Sea; and is 1200 Miles long, and 800 broad.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. According to the Account the Portuguese give us, it contains 30 Kingdoms, besides 22 more which lie about it, and did belong to Abyssinia, but now are governed by their own Kings, and there are 18 Nations more, which are also reckoned in Abyssinia. The Names of all which may be seen in the newest Maps.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in Abysinia?

Ans. It affords no Places of great Note, and there is seldom found a Town of above 1000 Houses; but to mention some of the principal ones; there are, 1. Gonthar, the ordinary Residence of the King, when he is not encamped in Tents. 2. Axum, or Achum, which was formerly the ordinary Residence, but is now neglected. 3. Angot, a Town of great Trade. 4. Bagemder, near the River Nile. 5. Sacatar, a Town near which the River Nile has its Source. 6. Amara, a fine City, lying between the Mountains; it has a Castle in which formerly the Royal Princes were brought up. 7. Fungi, a Fortification.

Qu. What is most observable in the Country of

Abyffinia?

Ans. In That this is the Country, which, by the ancient Geographers, was called that of Prester John; but according to the modern Accounts, this was only a Chimera, the Inhabitants not having known, or so much as heard of that Name. 2. This large Country is governed by their Sovereign King, who is stilled Negash, i. e. a great King. All his Subjects are treated like Slaves, and he is held in such Veneration among them, that at his very Name they bow their Bodies, and touch the Ground with one of their Fingers. In Time of War this Country

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can raise 600,000 Men. 4. The Natives are Coal-Black; and Travellers give them the Character of a brifk, fenfible, and civil People. They profess, indeed, the Christian Religion, but differ both from the Roman Catholicks and the Greeks. They circumcife their Children the eighth Day, both Male and Female, and baptize the Male after 40 Days, and the Female after 80 Days. They keep both Saturday and Sunday for their Sabbath; the Lord's Supper is administred in both Kinds. 6. The Abysfines are great Lovers of learned Men, who are had in great Reverence and Respect among the People. They have two Universities, one at Axum, and another at Embie. At Axum is a fine Library, which belongs to the King, and is efteemed a great Trea-, fure; and at Embie is another, in which, as they fay, are Manuscripts of Enoch, Abraham, Solomon, and Esdras, written with their own Hands.

CHAP. X.

Of the Kingdom of MONOEMUGI.

Qu. Where is this Country fituated, and what is its Extent?

Ans. It borders upon Abyssinia, Monomotapa, and the Coasts of Cassaria and Zanguebar; from South to North it is 1200 Miles long, and from West to East above 600 wide.

Qu. What is most remarkable in this Country?

Ans. What little we know thereof, has been communicated to us by the Portugueze, who made an Incursion into the Country from Zanguebar, notwithstanding the Danger of travelling through it, on Account of its vast Desarts. Through the midst of the Country runs a River, called Zambece, which forms between the two Coasts an Island, on which, with

with great Expedition the Portugueze built the Fort St. Martial, which they posses to this Day. 2. This large Country extends itself as far as the large Sea Zembre, or Zaire, where lies the City Zembre, the ordinary Residence of the King; the famous Mountains of the Moon are not far from it. 3. This Country's worst Enemies are the Giaques, a Nation of Canibals. 4. Elephants, Dragons, and other wild Creatures abound in this Country. 5. The Natives are tall, stout and strong, and make good Soldiers. 6. The People in general are Idolaters.

CHAP. XI.

Of the Kingdom of MONOMOTAPA.

Qu. HOW is this Country fituated?

Anf. It lies under the Tropick of Capricorn, and is 2800 Miles in Circumference. It has the Coast of Caffaria on three Sides, but is parted from it by the adjoining Mountains; which, together with the cool Streams and temperate Air, make this

Country exceeding pleafant.

Qu. How is the Empire of Monomotapa divided?

Ans. It contains 30 Kingdoms, but it would be to little Purpose to enumerate all their Names. The principal Towns are; 1. Monomotapa, the Capital of the whole Empire, which is situated near the River Rio di Spirito Santo. It is built with Stone two Stories high, for which it is admired by all the rest of the Nation; no other Town is built like it, the Houses being meer Huts, patched up with Wood and Clay. 2. Mosata, also called Zimbaoe, situate on the West, is a fine Fortification, and the Residence of the Emperor. The Apartments in his Palace are furnished with the finest Tapestries and Ivory Branches, which are hung up by Chains of Gold.

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3. Chateau de Portugal, is a Castle, which was built by the Portuguese, to protect their Mines.

Qu. What else is remarkable in this Empire?

Anf. The Emperor governs with an absolute Power, and whoever is admitted to an Audience, must appear before him on his Knees; according to the Account of Travellers, when he fneezes, or drinks, all his Attendance greet him with a loud Voice, which is directly conveyed from one Place to another, and refounds thro' the whole City. He has 1000 beautiful Women for his Pleasure; she who brings forth the first-born Son is looked upon as a Queen, because she is the Mother of the Prince who is the next Heir to the Crown. * The Emperor's Body Guard confifts of 12,000 strong and courageous Women, and 200 Dogs. The principal Commodities of this Country confift in Offriches-Feathers, Elephants-Teeth, Rice, Sugar; and there are also several rich Gold Mines.

CHAP. XII.

Of the Coast of CONGO.

Qu. HOW is this Country fituated?

Anf. Between the Equator, and the Tropick of Capricorn, and is about 960 Miles long, and 600 Miles wide.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Anf. The whole was formerly governed by one King, but has fince been divided into three Kingdoms, viz. 1. Loango. 2. Congo. And 3. Angola.

Qu. What is principally to be noted in the King-

dom of Loango?

Anf. 1. That it has its Sovereign King, who can raise an Army of 100,000 Men. 2. That this Country produces Sugar, Millet, Tobacco, Palmwine;

wine; and there is Plenty of Oxen, Cows, Hogs, and Goats; it has also Copper, Tin, and Iron Mines.
3. The principal Towns are, 1. Loango, the Capital and Residence; the King's Palace is built after the European Manner.
2. Majumba.
3. Malemba, a trading City near the Sea, not far from Loango.

II. Qu. What is principally to be observed in the

Kingdom of Congo?

Ans. 1. That St. Salvador is the Capital, and Residence of the King of Congo. That Name was given it by the Portuguese, who with 36 Men obtained a Victory over an Army of Rebels, who had risen, on Account of the King's being turned Christian. After this Victory they obtained great Privileges, and to this Day they have 10 Churches in that City, and the Jesuits have a fine College.

2. The King is absolute. His Incomes are the Imposts on Cattle, and on all Sorts of Provisions, which must be brought in every Year by St. James's

Day.

3. The Royal Family embraced the Christian Religion in 1491, which they were prevailed upon to do, by an Embassy from the King of *Portugal*.

4. Before their Conversion, when a King died, fix Virgins voluntarily flung themselves into the Fire, wherein his Corps was burned, in order to attend him in the next World, but since that Time this Custom has been abolished.

III. Qu. What is most remarkable in the King-

dom of Angola?

Ans. 1. That this Country is about 400 Miles long, and 320 Miles wide, and is parted from the Coast of the Cafres by excessive high Mountains.

2. That the *Portuguese* have a great Sway in this Country, and have taken a deal of Pains towards the Conversion of the People, in which they have not been altogether unsuccessful.

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Qu. Which are the principal Towns in the Coun-

try of Angola?

Ans. 1. Mapango, which is the present Residence of the King of Angola, who always takes care not to disoblige the Portugueze, since it lies in their Power to maintain him upon, or pull him down from the Throne. 2. Engaze, another Residence of the said King. 3. Loando, an Island, in which is St. Paulo, a City and Fort, wherein the Governor of the Portutugueze generally resides. From this Island some Thousands of Slaves are annually transported to Brasil in America. 4. Benguela. 5. Cambambe, a Fortification belonging to the Portugueze. 6. Massagan, inhabited by the Portugueze. 7. Gunza, a strong Fortification of the Portugueze.

Qu. What other Countries lie within the Coast

of Congo?

Ans. 1. The Jages, or Giages, which borders upon Mons Emugi. It is faid that the Natives are Canibals, who devour commonly their first-born Children, and will kill, and eat their Parents; whoever dies a natural or accidental Death, is eaten by his Kindred and Relations; fo that in this Nation People fave the Expences of a Funeral. 2. Macoco, a Kingdom behind Loango, directly under the Equator. * The People are called Anricans, and are Canibals; they have a powerful King, who has twelve petty Kings under him. They worship the Sun, Moon and Stars. The King's Residence is Monsol, where they fell Men's Flesh in the open Market; and if the Account may be credited, they kill daily 200 Men for the King's Table, which are either Criminals, Prisoners, or Slaves; and this is not done on Account of the Scarcity of other Meat, of which they have Plenty, but because Human Flesh is look'd upon as a delicious Dish.

CHAP. XIII.

Of the Coast of CAFRARIA, or. CAFRES.

Qu. HOW is the Coast of the Cafres situated?

Ans. It begins at, or near the Cape of St. Mary, and Eastwards it reaches to the River Zembere; half way upon the Point of Africa lies the samous Cape of Good Hope, The whole Length is computed at near 2400 Miles.

Qu. What is the State and Condition of the

Country upon the Coast in general?

Ans. The Country differs very much as to its Fruitfulness; some Parts which are cultivated thrive, and every Thing grows that's sown or planted; other Parts are barren and uninhabited, except by Elephants, Lions, Tigers, and such like Creatures. The Country for the Generality is but thin peopled, and there is Room enough for large Colonies. Most of the Natives are Idolaters. The Natives are governed by several petty Kings, or Chiefs. To distinguish this Country, it will be best to divide it into three different Districts. 1. The Western Parts. 2. The Southern Parts. And 3. The Eastern Parts.

Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in these

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Ans. I. In the western Part is, Mataman, a hilly Country, the Receptacle of all Sorts of wild Creatures, Lions, Tigers, Leopards, Elephants, Rhinoceroses, Monkies, Ostriches, &c.

II. In the South Parts are, 1. The Hottentots. The History of this People is curious; it was wrote in High Dutch by Mr. P. Kolben, who resided among L 6 them

them for 14 Years, and it has been but lately abridg'd into English by Mr. Medley. 2. The Cape of Good Hope, the natural History of which, is the Sequel to the History of the Hottentots, by the same Author,

and abridged by Mr. Medley.

III. In the East Part, which is commonly called the Coast of Zofala, is Zofala, the Capital, where the Portuguese have a Garrison. In this Country, which is chiefly under the Portuguese, are rich Gold Mines, and the Rivers produce a fine Gold Sand, which is reckoned the finest in the World. The Inhabitants are Blacks, Idolaters, and Canibals.

Besides Zofala there are sive Kingdoms more, whose Names are, 1. Biri. 2. Inhambane. 3. Ma-

nica. 4. Sabia. And 5. Quiteva.

CHAP. XIV.

Of the Coast of ZANGUEBAR.

Qu. HOW lies the Coast of Zanguebar?

Ans. This Coast lies Eastwards, and reaches from the River Zambeze to the Equinoctial Line.

Qu. How is this Coast divided?

Anf. Into feven Kingdoms, viz. I. The Kingdom of Mongal, wherein is Mongal, the Capital.

II. The Kingdom of Angos, which has a Maho-

metan King; Angos is the Capital.

III. The Kingdom of Mosambique, which is of great Consequence to the Portuguese, who, in the Year 1497, made themselves Masters of the Capital City Mosambique. The King is a Mahometan, to whom they left the Kingdom; but they keep the Capital in their Possession to this Day. The Residence now of the king of Mosambique, is at Dud, a simall Place.

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IV. The Kingdom of Qviloa, which lies farther up Eastwards. The King of this Country is tributary to the Portuguese; and he and the People are Mahometans. Old Qviloa is the Residence of the King, a rich, and well-built City. New Qviola is a large, and strong City, upon an Island, with a fine Harbour. The Portuguese made themselves Masters thereof in 1505, and have it still in Possession.

V. The Kingdom of Monbazra, the King whereof is a Mahometan, and a fworn Enemy to the Christians. Monbazra the Capital, seated on a small Island, and on a high Rock, is large, strong, and rich.

VI. The Kingdom of Melinde, which has a Mahometan King, is in Friendship with the Portuguese, who stipulated a Treaty with them, whereby they have the Liberty of a Fort to command the Harbour for the Security of their Trade. Melinde is the Capital, a large, well-built, populous, and pleasant City.

VII. The Kingdom of Cheliete, which lies directly under the Equinoctial Line; of this we have but an imperfect Account, and only know that it is govern'd

by a Mahometan King.

CHAP. XV.

Of the Coast of A J A N.

Qu. HOW is the Coast of Ajan situated?

Ans. It reaches from the Equator to the Red-Sea, and is about 800 Miles long, and 480 Miles broad.

Qu. How is this Coast divided? Ans. Into four Kingdoms, viz.

I. The Kingdom of Brava, which now is a fine Republick, tributary to the Portuguese, to whom they

are obliged to pay 4000 l. of Gold per Ann. Brava is the Name of the Capital, which is large, rich, and well peopled. The Inhabitants are for the most part Merchants.

II. The Kingdom of Magadoxa, which has its own Sovereign King; he and his Subjects are Arabs. and Mahometans. In it is, 1. Magadoxa, the Capital, and Residence of the King. 2. Bandel, a City

of good Trade, with a convenient Harbour.

III. The Kingdom of Adel, which borders upon Abyssinia, wherein is, I. Adel, the Capital, and Residence of the King. 2. Zeyla, a rich, trading City, and Harbour. 3. Barbora, an old, trading City, and Harbour. And 4. Dardura, a City of Trade.

CHAP. XVI.

Of the Coast of ABEX.

Qu. WHAT is principally remarkable with re-

Anf. That it is a Tract of Land between the Red-Sea, Nubia, and Abyssinia; it is about 560 Miles long, and 200 broad: It is very poor, the Country being more inhabited by favage Creatures than Men; the Climate is excessive hot and unwholsome. 2. The Produce of this Country is chiefly Ebony-Wood. 3. The Inhabitants are most of them Turks and Arabs. 4. The Northern Part belongs to the Turks. 5. Squakem is the Capital, and has a fine Harbour. 6. The South Part is called Dan Cali, and has its own King; Baylour is its Capital and Harbour.

CHAP. XVII.

Of the African ISLANDS.

Qu. TX7 HICH are called the African Islands? Ans. I. The Canary Islands. II. The Islands of Cape Verde. III. The Islands under Guinea. IV. The Island Madagascar. And V. The Mascarenas.

I. Of the CANARY-ISLANDS.

Qu. Which are the Canary Islands?

Ans. They lie in the Atlantic Ocean, opposite to the Empire of Morocco, and are 12 in Number, viz. 1. Alegranza. 2. Canaria. 3. Ferro. 4. Forteventura. 5. Gomere. 6. Gratiofa. 7. L'ancerotte. 8. Madera. q. Palma. 10. Rocca. 11. Salvages. And 12. Teneriff. Eleven whereof belong to the Crown of Spain, and one, viz. Madera, belongs to the Portugueze.

Qu. What is most remarkable in those Islands?
Ans. 1. In the Island Ferro is Santo, a wonderful Tree, 40 Foot high, 12 Foot thick, and 120 Foot round; it is green throughout the Year, and bears a fweet Fruit, like Acorns; upon this Tree rests a Cloud, which drops daily for two Hours the finest and sweetest Water, of which the Inhabitants may gather 30 Barrels a Day; and this is all the fresh Water they are supplied with in the whole Island. 2. In the Island Teneriff is Pico, the highest Hill in the World, its Height is 20,274 Foot. The Middle is covered with a Cloud, and the Top with Snow; it may be feen at Sea 240 Miles off.

II. Of the Islands of CAPE-VERDE.

Qu. Which are the Islands of Cape-Verde?

Ans. Those which lie opposite to the Cape of Negro-Land, and are called from the opposite Coast of Negro-Land Cape-Verde, on Account of the green and slourishing Verdure of the Country on that Coast. They all belong to Portugal, and their Number is ten, viz. 1. St. Anthony. 2. Boavista. 3. Brava.

4. The Island Fuego. 5. St. Jago. 6. St. Lucia.

7. Mago. 8. St. Nicolas. 9. Della Sale. And 10. St. Vincent.

III. Of the Guinea-Islands.

Qu. Where lie these Islands?

Ans. Between the Equator and the Tropick of Capricorn; they are seven in Number; six whereof belong to the Portuguese, and one to the English.

Qu. What are the Names of those that belong to

the Portuguese?

Ans. 1. Anuobon. 2. Ascension. 3. Ferdinando Pao. 4. St. Matthew. 5. Del Principe. And 6. St. Thomas.

Qu. What is the Name of the Island which belongs

to the Crown of Great-Britain?

Anf. The Island of St. Helena, which is about 24 Miles in Circumference. The Air of this Island is very wholesome, and People that are taken sick at Sea, at their Arrival there soon recover. The English have built a strong Fort upon this Island, called James's Castle. It is possessed by the East-India Company of English Merchants, and is a Place of Retreat and Refreshment for their Ships homeward bound.

IV. Of the Island MADAGASCAR.

Qu. What is most observable with respect to the Island Madagascar?

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Ans. This is a large Island, 920 Miles long, and about 280 Miles broad. It lies under the Tropick of Capricorn, opposite to Mosambique.

Qu. What is chiefly remarkable in this Island?

Ans. 1. It was discovered by the Portuguese, in 1506, who made no Setlement there. 2. In 1642, the French landed under the Tropick of Capricorn, and built at the Expence of 15 Millions of Livres, 1. Fort Dauphin. 2. Fort François. 3. St. Lucia, which were afterwards taken by the English, who built an additional Fort; but this Settlement is of no great Importance, and little regarded.

Qu. What are the People, and what is the Pro-

duce of this Country?

Ans. There are several Sorts of Natives on this Island. In the Woods live many that are wild, go quite naked, and have frightful Beards. Those that live in Houses build them in such a Manner, as they can carry them on their Backs wherever they please. The better Sort wear Cloaths; the Poor go naked, except the Women, who most of them go covered.

The Natives are Idolaters: There are some Mahometans, and very sew Christians, except the Euro-

peans that are fettled there.

The Island abounds with all Manner of Cattle, with Sugar, Honey, Silk, Cotton, Oranges, Lemons, Saffron, Ginger, and Tobacco.

V. Of the MASCARENAS ISLANDS.

Qu. Which are the Mascarenas Islands?

Ans. Those which lie about 300 Miles East from Madagascar; most of them were first discovered by Mascarenhas, a Portuguese, 1505. They are about sity in Number.

Qu. Which are the principal ones?

Ans. The Island Mascarena, so called after the Name of its first Discoverer; the Length whereof is

after this Island was abandoned both by the Portugueze and the Dutch, fent thither a Colony in 1654, who settled there, and gave it the Name of Bourbon: When this Nation came thoroughly acquainted with the Fruitfulness of this Island, they gave it the Name of Eden, or the Terrestrial Paradise.

Qu. This Island being so fruitful, for what Rea-

fon did the Portugueze and Dutch abandon it?

Ans. The Fruitfulness thereof is not to be underflood of the whole Island. There are several Districts, especially Northwards, very barren, but that Part which the French inhabit is a perfect Pleasure-Garden; Parrots are so plenty, as to be caught with the utmost Ease. Throughout the Year there is a continual Spring: The Trees are always green, and loaded with the finest Fruit, pleasant to the Taste, very wholesome, and medicinal for those that come fick on Shore. That Spot of Ground produces also very good Coffee, which is exported to France. The Rivers are filled with all Manner of fine Fish; and there is Plenty of every Thing for the Necessaries of Life. But for all this, the Colony goes to Decay, and will in Time be quite abandoned by the French, on Account of the frequent Hurricanes that happen there, by which the Commerce to and from that Island has suffered very much.

Qu. Which are the most noted Islands?

Ans. 1. St. Maurice, which was discovered by the Portugueze in 1595, who called it Cigne, i. e. Swan-Island; but three Years after, the Dutch brought it under their Subjection, and called it, in Honour of the Prince of Nassaw, by his Name, which was Maurice, and possess it to this Day. This Island produces plenty of Cocoa-Trees; it abounds with Ebony, so that the Dutch surnish all Europe with it principally from thence. Tortoises are so large there,

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hat some will run away with three Men upon their Backs. 3. The Island Diego Ruys is not inhabited, but it is remarkable for the Multitude of Tortoifes, with which both the Country and the Sea Shore warms. The Land-Tortoifes weigh commonly 100 Pound, and the Sea-Tortoises are some of them 4 or weight: The Meat whereof is as palatable, as Beef or Mutton is in Europe.



Of AMERICA, or, The WEST-INDIES.

CHAP. I.

FROM whence had America its Name?

Anf. From America Vesputio, a Florentine, who, with a Spanish Fleet, made the first Discovery of the main Land, which was in 1497.

Qu. Why is it called the West-Indies?
Ans. It was but a little before, that the East-Indies were discovered by the Portugueze; and on this Acount these new Discoveries were called the West-Indies, to distinguish them from the former.

Qu. Where lies America?

Anf. To the Europeans it lies Westwards, and the Voyage thither is about 2300 Miles.

Qu. How large is America?

Anf. About twice as large as Europe. The Length from South to North, (not to include the unknown Lands) is about 7200 Miles; and from East to West, it is 5200 Miles in Breadth.

Qu. Was not Columbus the first Discoverer of this

Country ?

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Anf. Columbus was no doubt the first Discovere of the American Islands; and Guanahania, now & Sabvador, was the first Land on which he set Foot The next Isle he landed at was Hispaniola, in 1492 But Americus Vesputius, who in Quest of new Discoveries sailed thither in 1497, had the Honour of having that Country called after his Name, when in deed, by Right, it belonged to Columbus.

Qu. How is America divided?

Ans. Nature itself made the Division of it, by the Isthmus of Panama, into North and South America by which the whole Country is distinguished, besides the American Islands.

CHAP. II. Of North AMERICA.

2u. HOW is North America divided?

Anf. Into four Capital Parts, viz. 1. New
Spain. 2. New-Mexico. 3. Florida. And 4. Canada.

I. Of NEW-SPAIN.

Qu. How large is New-Spain?

Ans. The Length from South to North contains at least 1000 Miles; the greatest Breadth from East to West is about 600 Miles.

Qu. What is most remarkable in this Country?

Ans. 1. That the Spaniards landed first there in 1518, and made themselves Masters of it in 1521 after a cruel Massacre of some Millions of the Natives. 2. That it contains several Kingdoms, which are divided by the Spaniards into three principal Districts, by them called Audiences: viz. 1. Mexico. 2. Guadalaxara. And 3. Guatimala. 4. That lies under the Torrid Zone; but the cool, Western Winds.

Winds, and the Water it is surrounded with, makes the Air very temperate. 4. The Land brings forth Corn and Fruit in Abundance, and the Fields are overed with rich Pasture, and fine Cattle.

Qu. What are the Commodities of this Country?

Anf. Those that are carried to the European Counties, are chiefly Gold, Silver, Copper, Pearls, Gems, Agate, Cochineal, Cocoa-Nuts, the best in the World, Spices, Wax, &c.

Qu. What is the State or Condition of the Inha-

bitants of New-Spain?

Ans. The small Remnant of the original Natives are most of them Slaves to the Spaniards. They are of a brown Complexion, live in Huts, and are great lovers of Painting, and of making Works with parti-coloured Feathers.

The Spanish Inhabitants are divided into three Classes. 1. Those that are born in Spain, who for the most Part are in Places of Trust under the Government. 2. Those that are born in America of Spanish Durents. And 3. Those that are born of Native Vaccount and Spanish Men, and called upon that Account Crioles.

Of the Audience of MEXICO.

Qu. Which are the chief Places in the Audience

Ans. 1. Mexico, the Capital City of all America; was formerly the Residence of the Mexican Kings, he last of whom was Montezuma. In his Time his Place had about 80,000 Houses, built very and, after the American Taste; the Royal Palace had twenty Gates; there was another Palace where he King kept an Aviary of Birds; another for hid Creatures and Birds of Prey; another for warfs and decripid People, who were entertained he Kings; another for Crocodils and Serpents, who

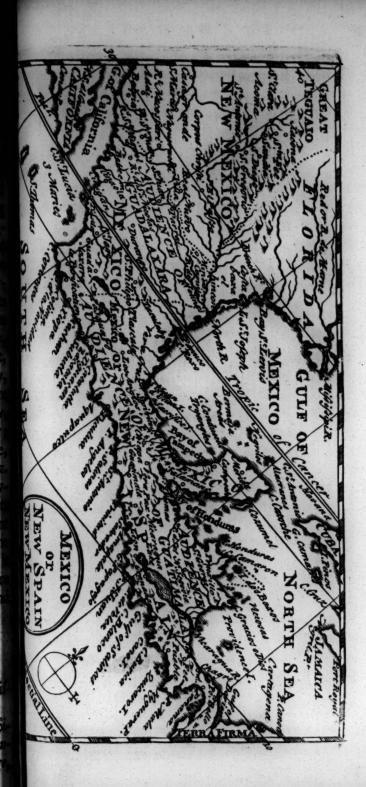
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were fed with Men's Flesh; and another gran Building was made of the Sculls of the flain Enemie But in 1521 the Spaniards raz'd this City, and le not one Stone upon another. They built another in the same Place after the European Manner, wit 100,000 Houses, and a Palace for the Vice-Roy for which Building only, there were used 700 Cedar Trees. In 1629 this City was almost ruine by an Inundation, but is now in a very flourishin Condition. The Houses in some Streets are mas nificent Palaces, and the Vice-Roy keeps a brillian Court. 2. The next Place of Note in the Audience of Mexico, is Aquapulco, a City, with a good Ha bour; it has a strong Citadel on a Hill; the Stree in this City are broad and even, and the Houle new; it is a Place of great Commerce to Afia, China and the Philippine Islands. 3. Vera Cruz, a Sea Por discovered by the Spaniards in 1519, on Good-Frida and called fo by them upon that Account. He was the Staple for all the Merchandizes from Europ and all the American Commodities defigned thither but it was removed to a more convenient Place namely, De Ullpa, now called New Vera Cru 4. Tlascala, a City, which was formerly a pow erful Republick, and the Number of its Inhabitan was computed to be about 300,000, but at prefe they are not above 50,000. 5. Los Anglos, a fir City, which contains about 20,000 Inhabitants; is a Place where is a Manufactory of Cloth. He is also the Mint for Silver Coin, a Glass-House, as a great Number of Sugar-Mills.

Of GUADALAXARA.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Di

Ans. 1. Guadalaxara, the Capital, in a fruitful Stuation and Soil. Here is a great Tribunal. 2. Dirang





rango, a good Fortification. 3. St. Jago, a City. And 4. Philippo, a small Fortification.

Of GUATIMALA.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Dif-

Ans. 1. Guatimala, the capital City, which lies between two Mountains; from the one it was incommoded by Fire, and from the other by Water. The Spaniards removed from thence, and built New Guatimala, a fine City, wherein live above 5000 of the richest Spanish Families in all America. 2. St. Salvador, a City and Fort. Here is a great Trade of Sugar and Indigo. 3. Trinitad, a Town and Harbour, wherein is made curious Earthen-ware. 4. St. Antonio, which drives a great Trade with Indigo and Cochineal. 5. Chiapa, a City, for the most Part inhabited by Indians, who pretend to descend from noble Families. 6. Cividad Real de Chiapa, a pretty Place, in which live not above 500 Families of Spanish Nobility. 7. Vera Pax, a large and pleafant Place, which drives a great Trade in Cotton. 8. Leon, a Bishop's See; not far from this Place is a Vulcano. 9. Granada, an opulent City, inhabited by many rich Merchants. 10. Santa Fee, famous on Account of the Smelting Houses. The Indians in this District are naturally inclined to Musick and Painting.

Qu. What is the Government of New Spain, or

Mexico?

Anf. The King of Spain sends every five Years a new Vice-Roy thither, who resides in Mexico. His yearly Revenues allowed him by the King, are not above 100,000 Ducats, which is but a Trisle to what he gets by his Place, wrong or right.

Qu. What is the Religion of this Country?

Ans. The Mexicans, at the Arrival of the Spaniards, were gross Idolaters. Their chief Idol Vitziliputzli to whom they facrificed innocent Children, Virgins and the Prisoners taken in War. But fince the Spaniards have introduced the Roman Catholick Religion, the Natives are obliged to profess the same; but there are many who in private still worship their favourite Idol Vitziliputzli. The Clergy is here very numerous; Mexico is an Archbishop's See, under which are 13 Bishops.

II. Of NEW-MEXICO.

Qu. Why is this Country called New-Mexico?

Ans. Because it was discovered fince that named Old-Mexico. It is also by the Spaniards called New-Granada, the Name of a Province of their own Country.

Qu. How is this Country fituated?

Ans. It lies North of Old-Mexico, East of California, and joins to Quivira Anian, and the unknown Lands, which lie further towards the North Pole.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in New-

Mexico?

Ans. 1. St. Fe, or New-Mexico, a fine City, built of Stone by the Spaniards; where live about 600 of them, who are Masters of 50,000 Slaves, all Natives. 2. Cibola, or Granada Novelle, which is a Place of Commerce. 3. Tinquez, a College of Jesuits. 4. Acoma, a small, but well-peopled Place. 5. California, the largest Island in America, and lies along the Coast of New-Mexico Southwards. The Spaniards have there several Harbours; and upon the Coast there's a Pearl Fishery.

Qu. What else is to be observed with respect to

New-Spain?

Ans. The Natives are of a much less savage Nature than one would imagine. Their Wealth confists in Cattle, which serves them for most of the Conve-



Conveniencies of Life; with the Ox's-Hides they cover their Huts; of the Bones they make Bodkins, and other Utenfils; of the Hair they make Yarn, and out of the Sinews, Cords; of the Calve's-Skins they make Pails; of the Sheep-Skins, Cloaths; the Horns ferve them for Trumpets; the Blood they drink, and with the Dung they make Fire. They are much given to Hunting, and understand Agriculture pretty well.

III. Of FLORIDA.

Qu. From whence had this Country its Name?
Ans. Formerly it was called Jaquaza; but the Spaniards making their Discovery of it on a Palm-Sunday, by them called Pascua de Flores, they gave it the Name of Florida.

Qu. When, and by whom was this Discovery first

made?

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Ans. By Sebastian Chabot, a Venetian, in 1494, who was fitted out for that Purpose, by Order of King Henry VII. of England, but that was all the English had to boast of.

In 1512 John Ponco de Leon, a Spaniard, landed there; but for Want of a sufficient Number of Men, he returned; in 1538 another Spaniard, Ferdinand Soto, had better Success, and made it a Settlement.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. The River Missipi flows thro' the Middle from North to South, which divides it into East Florida, and West Florida; but for the better apprehending the several Divisions of this Country, it will be best to distinguish them, 1. By the Spanish Florida. 2. The English Florida. 3. The French Florida. And 4. The Wild Florida.

I. Of the Spanish Florida.

Qu. What is the Spanish Florida most noted for?

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Ans. The Spaniards made their Settlement upon the Peninsula of Tegeste, in 1538; and possessed the following Places, viz. 1. St. Augustine, which is a good City, with an excellent Harbour, is pretty well fortified, and has a Citadel. 2. St. Matthew, which is a small Town towards the North, with a strong Castle. 3. St. Peter, a strong Fort, well provided with Implements for War. 4. Pensa Coia, a City well fortified. 5. Apalachos, a City and Castle, near the Bay di Spirito Santo, or the Holy Ghost.

II. Of the English Florida.

Qu. Which is the English Florida?

Ans. The Country of Carolina, which towards the East borders upon Canada, was first discovered by Francis Ribaud, a Frenchman, in 1562. He built there a Fort, and called it in Honour of King Charles IX. Carolina. In 1585, the Spaniards turned out the French, and kept Possession of it for 80 Years; but in 1663 the English took it from them, and have maintained it ever since. They have lately extended their Settlements in Florida, by erecting a new Colony Southwards of Carolina, which is named Georgia, in Honour of his present Majesty.

Qu. What is the Product of this Country?

Ans. Here grows Abundance of Rice, of which the Inhabitants export a great deal to Europe, besides what is stilled into Rum, and what is used by them for Bread, and brewing of Beer. * There is also a great Deal of Saltpetre exported from thence. The principal Places in this Country are, I. Charles-Town, the Capital, and Fortification, with a good Harbour.

2. Charles-Fort, a Fortification, which was built by the French.

III. Of the FRENCH FLORIDA.

Qu. What is most remarkable in the French Florida?

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Ans. 1. It has already been observed, that the River Missippi flows from Canada thro' the Middle of Florida, after which it empties itself into the Gulph of Mexico.

In 1680 the *French* came for the first Time down the River into *Florida*, when they made themselves Masters not only of the River, but of the Country too.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in French

Ans. 1. St. Lewis, which was the first Place the French built for their Defence against the wild Natives. 2. Fort Lewis, a Fortification. 3. New Orleans, was first intended for a large City, but has hitherto but mean Houses, which are covered with the Barks of Trees. 4. Fort Dauphine, is a Fort built on an Island. 5. Missippi, a Castle; with several other Forts, and Places of less Note.

IV. Of the WILD FLORIDA.

Qu. What is Wild Florida principally noted for?

Ans. 1. That the Europeans subdued only those Natives that lived near the Coasts; the other Parts of it are inhabited by the old Natives, who have their own Kings or Governors. 2. The Wild Floridans are born white, but paint themselves with a Copper-Colour. They slee their Prisoners of War alive, and dry their Skins.

IV. Of CANADA.

Qu. From whence had Canada its Name?
Ans. From the River Canada, now called St. Lauunce, which is large, and flows from West to East

broughout that Country.

Qu. Who were the first Discoverers thereof?

Ans. The English in 1609; at which Time Henry
Hudson discovered that Bay, which parts this Country

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from the unknown Lands in the North, on which Account it is to this Day called Hudson's Bay, or Etreights.

Qu. Are the English the only Possessors of Canada?

Ans. No, the French also have some Settlements here; but the greatest Part is inhabited by the Native Indians.

Qu. Which are the Settlements of the English in

this Country?

Anf. They possess the whole Coast of Maria del Nord. The whole Length from the Country of Carolina, to the End Eastwards, is no less than 1200 English Miles.

Qu. How is this large Tract of Land divided?

Anf. Into fix Provinces or Colonies, which from West to East lie in the Order herein after particularly described.

Qu. Which is the First?

Anf. Virginia, which joins to the Country of Florida; but more particularly to the Province of Carolina.

Qu. From whence had this Province its Name?

Ans. It was so called in Honour of the English Virgin-Queen, Elizabeth, when Sir Francis Drake, and Sir Walter Rawleigh erected that Colony in 1585.

Qu. Which are the most noted Places in this Co-

lony?

Ans. 1. James Town, the Capital, built in 1607, upon an Island, which is made by the River Powhatan; it is a strong Fortification; King William III. founded here an University in 1692, and presented the same with a sine Library, and a compleat Printing-House; but this new Seat of Learning was in 1705 entirely destroyed by Fire. 2. Tragabizanda, which is also a large City. 3. St. Georgia, a Colony, and good Fortification. 4. Pomejoc, which was the

the Capital of the Natives before the English were settled in it.

Qu. What is the chief Product of this Country?

Ans. Tobacco, of which prodigious Quantities are from thence exported to England: This fingle Commodity brings a great Revenue to the Crown.

Qu. Which is the Second of the English Colonics

in Canada?

Ans. Maryland, which borders upon Virginia, and is 200 Miles long, and 120 broad.

Qu. From whence had this Colony its Name?

Anf. This Colony formerly belonged to Virginia, till King Charles I. in 1632, made it a separate Province, and in Honour of his Queen, whose Name was Mary, gave it the Name of Maryland. And in that very Year, he granted it by Letters Patent, under that Name, to the Right Honourable Cecilius Calvert, Lord Baltimore, whose Descendants have been ever since, and are still Proprietors of it.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. Into ten Counties. 1. The County of Cecil.
2. Dorchester. 3. Kent. 4. Sommerset. 5. Talbot.
6. Arundel. 7. Baltimore. 8. Calvert. 9. Charles.
10. Mary.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in this Plan-

tation?

Anf. 1. Baltimore, which is the Capital, and well built. 2. Mattapany, a pleasant Town, the Residence of the Governor.

Qu. What is the Product of this Country?

Anf. Chiefly Tobacco, which is planted here as in Virginia, and exported to England. The Inhabitants, however, carry on a confiderable Trade besides in Skins, Stock-fish, and Wood.

Qu. Which is the Third English Colony in Order? Ans. New-Sweden, now New-Jersey, and Pensyl-

vania.

Qu. From whence had it the Name of Sweden?

Ans. When King Charles I. was beheaded in 1649, and every Thing was in the utmost Confusion, the Swedes being inclined to fish in troubled Waters, and to catch some Part of America, they succeeded, and the Country they took Possession of, they called New Sweden; but King Charles II. soon made them quit that Coast, and gave them to understand, that the whole Coast was the Property of the English.

Qu. How was this Country divided?

Anf. Into two Provinces, the one of which was called New Jersey, and the other Pensylvania.

Qu. How large is the Province of New Jersey?
Ans. About 160 Miles long, and 80 Miles broad.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns?

Ans. 1. Christina, the Capital, which, no doubt, had its Name given it by the Swedes, in Honour of their Queen Christina. 2. Middleton, a fine built Town. And 3. Burlington, with several other small Places.

Qu. How large is the Province of Pensylvania?

Ans. It is 240 Miles long, and 160 Miles broad:
It had its Name from Sir William Pen, whom King Charles II. made first Proprietor thereof, by Letters Patent in 1680. He divided it into fix Counties, viz. 1. Philadelphia. 2. Buckingham. 3. Chester.
4. New-Castle. 5. Kent. And 6 Sussex.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in Pensyl-

vania?

Anf. 1. Philadelphia, which was begun by Sir William Pen in 1682. It contains about 14,000 Houses. Here resides the Governour, or the Proprietor of the whole Country. 2. Germantin, a Colony of Germans. 3. New-Castle, the Inhabitants are most of them Dutch. 4. New Upsal, a Colony of Swedes. 5. New Sommerhausen.

Qu. Which is the fourth Colony in Canada?

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Ans. New-York, which was discovered by Mr. Hudson, and by him sold to the Dutch in 1617. They brought under their Subjection a Country upon the Canadan Coast, which was above 250 Miles square. They called the whole New-Holland, and were Masters thereof for about 50 Years; but they and the Swedish Settlement falling out, the English decided their Quarrel, and made them both quit the Country. This happened in 1664, and at the Peace of Breda, in 1667, the Dutch gave up their Right to it, and the English called it New-York, from the then Duke of York, whom the King made Proprietor of it.

Qu. What are the principal Commodities of this

Colony?

Ans. Furs, Skins, Tobacco, Horses, Black Cattle, Hogs, Corn, Log-wood, and dry'd Fish. The Country is fertile; and of Venison, Game, and Wild-Fowl, there is Plenty.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in this Co-

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Ans. r. Manhatte, situate on the River of that Name, is the Capital, and by the Dutch was called New Amsterdam, but by the English, New York. It is built upon an Island, and is well fortissed. 2. Orange, or now Albania, is a Fortisscation, built by the Dutch in 1664. 3. Usop, a Fort against the wild Indians. The Long-Island, so called from its prodigious Length in Comparison of its Breadth; it is 120 Miles long, and 24 broad; here they make fine Porcelain of Sea Cockles.

Qu. Which is the Fifth Colony in Order?

Ans. New-England, discovered by Sir Francis Drake in 1580. It is about 240 Miles long, and 120 broad. The Climate is temperate, and the Land very fruitful. The English established this Colony in 1585, in the Reign of King James I.

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Qu. What are the Commodities of this Country?

Ans. The Land produces Wheat, Oats, Pulse, Tobacco, Hemp, and Fruit. The Woods are full of wild Oxen, Bears, Wolves, Stags, and Bevers; on which Account there is Plenty of Skins and Furs, and the Trade of Timber and Planks is of no small Concern; there is also Plenty of tame Cattle, good Poultry, and Fish. This Colony is like a Magazine for most Things requisite in building of Ships; there is a considerable Quantity likewise of Tar, Pitch, and Iron-Work; with which the Inhabitants not only serve the rest of the Colonies in America, but export a great deal to Europe.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in New-

England?

Ans. 1. Boston, which is the Capital City; it is large, and has a fine Harbour; the Commerce thereof consists chiefly in Ship-Tackling. Here is also a College, and Printing-House. 2. Bristol, a fine and well built City. 3. Charles-Town, which drives a great Trade in Stock-fish, which is exported to Biscay in Spain. 4. Rhode Island, which is principally inhabited by Quakers; they make the Earthen Ware, which they barter with the Indians for Furs. 5. Cambridge, which has two Colleges, and a Printing-House. 6. New-London; and 7. Plymouth, two secure Harbours, and several other Colonies which are named after the Cities and Towns in England.

Qu. Which is the fixth Colony of the English up-

on the Coast of Canada?

Ans. New-Scotland, which is 240 Miles long, and 120 broad. The French discovered it about 200 Years ago, but did not mind it. However, when the English, in 1663, set Footing therein, the French would not suffer it, and in 1662 they brought it again under their Subjection, called it by the Name of Arcadia, and possessed it till the Peace of Utrecht

in 1713, at which Time it was delivered up again to the Crown of England.

Qu. What is the Produce of this Colony?

Ans. It was never very populous; nor is so much Advantage to be met with there as in other Colonies; however, the Inhabitants deal in dry Fish, Hides,

and Wood for building of Ships.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Colony? Anf. 1. Port-Royal, which, in Honour of Queen Anne, was called Annapolis, is the Capital, built by the French. It is a strong Fortification, near a Bay that goes deep into the Country. Here is a Harbour large enough for 1000 Ships. 2. Cape Sable, where is a great Trade of dry'd Fish. 3. Fort of Good-Hope, which is a strong Fort on a great Bay. 4. St. Maria, a Fort, where is a great Trade in Wood.

Qu. Which is the French Part of Canada?

Ans. They possess all the rest; but it is not known how far this Coast reaches Southwards. Its Length cannot well be computed; what is known is about 1200 Miles, and the Breadth from North to West 800 Miles. The French discovered this Country by Means of their Fishery, who since 1504 found Abundance of Cod near this Coast.

Qu. What Colonies have the French here?
Ans. They have Canada Propria, which is parted from New-Scotland by the River St. Laurence. It is about 320 Miles long, and 120 broad.

Qu. Which are the principal Places therein?

Ans. 1. Quebec the Capital, a large, well-built City, with a Citadel, wherein resides the Governor. There is also a College. 2. Breft, a Sea-port, and a Place of great Commerce. 2. Mont-Royal, a Fortification, to keep the wild Canadians in Awc. 3. Nipisigui, a Town, where the Indians come and barter for their Commodities.

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Qu. What other Colonies have the French?

Anf. New France; this Colony was before nothing but a Wilderness; but the French have cut down the Woods, and made the Country now produce good Pasture and Corn-Fields; so that they have Plenty of Cattle, Corn and Flax. There are also Copper, Iron, and Lead Mines; but the best Traffick consists in Wood, Sea-Coal, Salt-Fish, and several Sorts of Furs.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in New France?
Ans. 1. Tadousac, which is a good Harbour, and
Fortification against the wild Canadians. 2. Orleans.
And 3. The Island of St. John, several Miles in
Length, besides many Settlements of less Note.

Qu. Have the French no more than those two

Colonies before mentioned?

Anf. Yes, they have another which is called Louifiana. To have a right Idea of this Country, one must look into the Map for the River Missispi, which from North to South flows 1600 Miles, and empties itself into the Gulph of Mexico. This River was first discovered in 1678, by a French Gentleman, named De la Salle, who with 50 desperate Men, travers'd the Country. They fet out from Quebec, and arrived at this River, on which they went down as far as where it falls into the Sea; here De la Salle built Fort St. Louis, and called the Country all along that River, in Honour of his King, Louisiana. The Capital is New Orleans, a very pretty Town, lately built by the French. But he underwent the Fate of most Discoverers, having been murdered by fome of his own Men in cool Blood. 4 The Account of the Whole was published by Father Lewis Hennepin, a Friar, who accompanied him as Miffionary.

Qu. What Part of Canada is inhabited by the

wild Natives?

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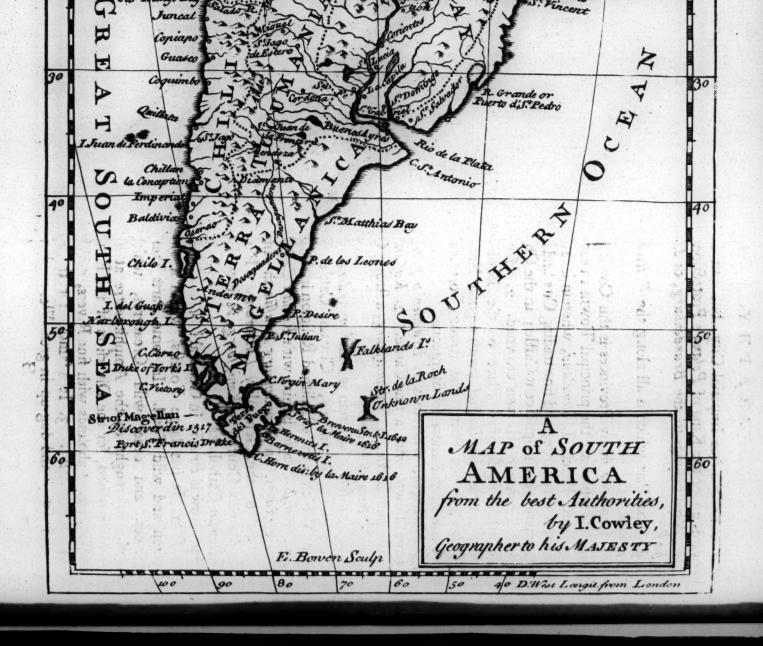
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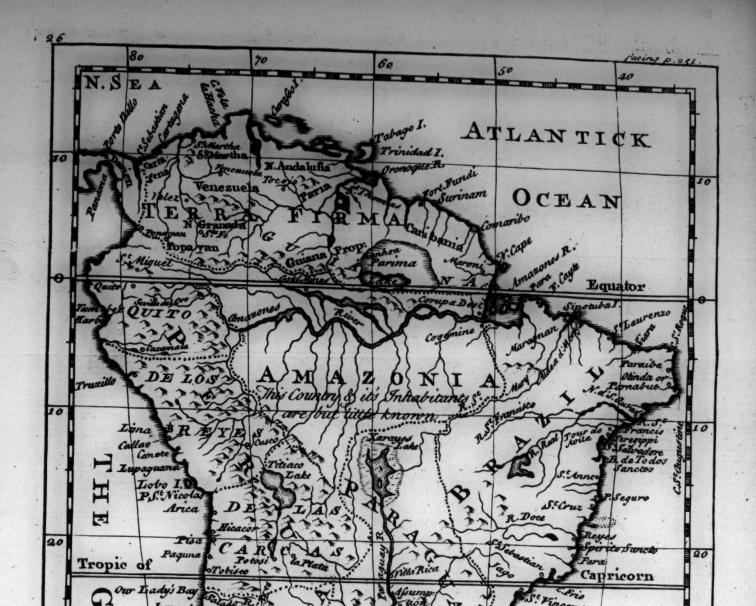
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Anf. They possess almost all Parts of it, and their Number may be reckoned 1000 to one European. They have no Fortifications, Magazines, or good Officers; so that the Europeans stand in no Fear of their Revolt. The Men are strong and healthful, the Women are white, but paint themselves with Variety of Colours, in which they are proud to out-do one another. They go naked in Summer, but in Winter they cover themselves with Skins. Their chief Employ is Hunting, and they trouble their Heads about little elfe; they are continually at War, the Prisoners are cruelly tortured, flea'd, and then broil'd and eat.

Some of these Countries are distinguish'd by their feveral Nations, as, 1. The Iroquois. 2. The Hurons. 3. The Illinois. 4. Tongoria. 5. The Hinois,

and many more.

See Map Da: 157 CHAP. III.

Of SOUTH-AMERICA.

Qu.WHICH are the Countries in South-Ame-

Anf. I. Terra Firma.

II. Peru.

III. Chili.

IV. Turcumania.

V. Magellanica.

VI. Paraguay.

VII. Brafilia.

VIII. Amazonia.

I. Of TERRA-FIRMA.

Qu. What kind of Country is Terra-Firma, and

to whom doth it belong?

Anf. After the Spaniards had subdued most of the Antillian Islands, this was the first Continent they fet Foot on in America, and upon that Account

they called it Terra Firma. The Country is very hot, but the frequent Northerly Winds, and long Rains, render it supportable. * The Natives are of a Copper-Red, some of an Olive Colour; they formerly went naked, but now wear Cloaths; are good Soldiers, and expert with their Bows and Arrows.

Qu. What is the Produce of this Country?

Ans. The Land bears Abundance of Indian Corn, and they have Plenty of Cattle. The Women look at Home after their Children, and take care of Husbandry, whilst the Men follow Hunting. Their Houses are large Pieces of Timber joined together; one of them will contain 600 Men. The Spaniards found in one Place eight Houses, which contained 10,000 Souls.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. Into eight Provinces.

I. Panama.
II. Carthagena.
III. St. Martha.
IV. Venezuela.

V. New Andalusia. VI. New Granada. VII. Popayan. VIII. Guiana.

I. Qu. What is most remarkable in the Province of Panama?

Anf. It is that narrow Part of the Ishmus of America, which joins to the South Continent; it is generally called the Ishmus of Darien, and is in some Places not above 24 Miles broad. It belongs to the King of Spain, and great Part of the Country, not inhabited by the Spaniards, is together called Darien, tho' some Geographers make it two distinct Provinces.

Qu. Which are the Places of Note in this Coun-

try?

Ans. 1. Panama, which is the Capital, has about 200 wooden Houses, and about 5000 Inhabitants; is situate on the South-Sea Side at the Bottom of a deep

deep Bay. But all the Gold which is designed for Europe, is first brought thither, and then carried to Porto Bello on Mules. 2. Porto Bello, which is a City and a fine Harbour; it was well fortified, and a Citadel commanded the Harbour. In this Place was kept the richest Fair in the World, and all the Gold and Silver from Peru was brought there to Market, where the European and Peru Merchants met, and struck their Bargains. This Town is on the North Coast, which from this Place to Panama, is but about 60 Miles over. It was taken, and its Forts demolished by Admiral Vernon in 1739.

II. Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in Car-

thagena?

Ans. The Spaniards made themselves Masters of this Country in 1532, after some bloody Work. The Country is rich in Gold, Emeralds, Spices, and Drugs; there is also a Pearl-Fishery.

Qu. Which are the principal Towns in this Pro-

vince?

Ans. 1. Carthagena, the capital City, is situated upon the Coast, and has a fine Harbour; there are no less than 40,000 Spaniards born in the Place, and the Number of the native Indians is much larger. It is well fortified with high, strong Walls and Towers, besides Outworks. All which were demolished by Admiral Vernon, when he laid Siege to that City in 1741. 2. St. Sebastian, a new City, on the Gulph of Darien.

III. Qu. What is St. Martha principally noted for?

Ans. 1. This Province lies East of Carthagena; it produces Corn, Cotton, Gold, Copper, Marble, and Jasper, and the Inhabitants make fine Earthenware. 2. The capital City is St. Martha, which is a mean Place, but has a convenient Harbour, and is a Bishop's See; besides which there are several

Settlements of less Note.

IV. Qu. What is most observable in the Province

of Venezuela?

Anf. This Country produces Tobacco, Cotton, and Skins; Venezuela is the Capital, built on Piles upon a small Island.

V. Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in New-

Andalusia?

with Toys, &c. under Pretence of building a Church, erected a Castle here; and when they had made themselves secure, they made a bloody Slaughter among the *Indians*, but met with several Repulses, till at last, with more Succours; they got the Upperhand, and hanged all the great Men of the *Indians*, and thus made themselves quiet Possessor of that Country. 2. St. Thomas, which is the Residence of the Spanish Governor. And 3. Tocojo, which is the Capital.

VI. Qu. What is remarkable in New-Granada?

Ans. I. It is a Province in the Middle of the Country, and is rich in Gold, Silver, Copper, Iron, and Emeralds; it is furrounded by high Mountains. 2. Santa-Fe, which is the Capital, and a Bishop's See. 3. Velaz, a Fortification.

VII. Qu. What is most observable in Popayan?

Ans. 1. That it lies near the South-Sea, and borders upon Peru; the Country is good enough for its native People; but the Europeans have little else from thence but Sugar. 2. Popayan, which is a Capital, and Bishop's See.

VIII. Qu. What is chiefly remarkable in the

Province of Guiana?

Ans. All the rest of the Terra Firma to the Ocean goes under this Name. The newest Maps distinguish this Country into three Provinces, viz.

I. Guiana Propria, wherein is, 1. Manhoa, the Residence of the King of that Country. 2. Parima,

a large Lake, 400 Miles long, and 320 broad. This is the Account given of it by some; but as there is no Certainty of its exact Extent, it is represented in the annexed Map both Ways, viz. according to the foregoing Account, and according to its Figure in most Maps.

II. The Province Paria, through which runs the River Oronoko; the Inhabitants build their Houses on high Trees, on Account of the frequent Over-

flowings of that River.

III. The third Province is Caribania, commonly called Cannibalia; the Natives are a wild People, go naked, and feaft on human Flesh, which they roast, and eat Bread with it made of certain Roots. The Men spend their Time in Hunting and Fishing; the Women look after the Affairs at Home. They grow old, and live to 160 Years. The best Commodity from thence is Cotton.

Qu. Are there no European Settlements in Gui-

ana?

Ans. Yes, the French established a Colony there in 1625, and possess it still. The English have also a small Colony called Maroni: But the Dutch are the principal Masters, and have fine Sugar and Tobacco Plantations; especially Surinam, a pretty large City and Fort, where they have a very rich Factory.

II. Of PERU.

Qu. From whence had this Country its Name?

Ans. From a comical Mistake. A Spaniard, when first landed, asked one of the Indians the Name of that Country, upon which he should have answered Tabantisvio, for such was the Name of it; but he told him his own Name, which was Peru, and ever since this Country has been distinguished by that Name.

Qu: How large is this Country?

Ans. It extends itself from Terra Firma to the Land of Chili; which takes near 2000 Miles; the Breadth is about 280 Miles.

Qu. What is the Condition of this Country?

Ans. Westwards it lies near the Pacific Sea, which does not incommode it in the least of That Country all along the Coast, for about 40 Miles broad, is never troubled with Thunder, Lightning, nor Rain, but the Land is made fertile by the Dew of Heaven, and is very fruitful. The Country Eastwards is a Ridge of Mountains, which in some Places are 400 Miles broad.

Qu. What Sort of People were the Natives of

Peru before the Conquest?

Ans. A barbarous People it is true; but yet more polite than those in North-America; and in respect of their good Laws which the Spaniards found among them, they came not much short of a civilized Nation.

Qu. What was the Religion of that Country?

Anf. They were gross Idolaters. Their principal Deity they called Viracocha, that is, the Soul of the World. They worshipped the Sun. Their chief Temples were those of Lima and Cusco. Their principal Sacrifices were Men, and Children from 4 to 10 Years old. Whenever the King was ill, 200 of them at least were butcher'd; but at his Death a thousand Souls were sent after him, to serve him in the next World.

Qu. What were their Kings?

Anf. They were called Inga, or Inca, had a Sovereign Power, and were honoured by their Subjects like Gods. They refided at Cusco, wherein is an ancient Castle, which falls no Ways short of any Palace in Europe. In the Time of those Kings, Gold was as Plenty as the Stones in the Streets, and the Houses were covered with it.



Qu. To whom doth this rich Country now

belong?

Ans. To the King of Spain. The Spaniards under the Conduct of Francis Pizaro came first into this Country in 1526, and in 1533 the Royal House of the Incas was quite extinguished, after a seven Years Massacre and Bloodshed, which ceased with the Death of Pizaro, who was stabbed by his own Countryman Almagro.

Qu. By whom, and how is this Country divided?

Ans. The Spaniards have divided it into three Au-

diences, viz.

I. Quito. II. De los Reyes. III. De las Carcas.

I. Qu. What is most observable in Quito?

Ans. It is a Country which borders upon Terra Firma, is 280 Miles long, and 100 broad. It lies just under the Equator; and the Spaniards found here an immense Quantity of Gold.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Au-

dience !

Ans. 1. Quito, the Capital City. Here is a Bishop's See and University. The Trade of this Place consists chiefly in Cloth, Cotton, Flax, Heaths, Sugar, and Salt. 2. Tumbez, a Harbour where Pizzaro sirst landed. 3. St. Miguel. 4. Sevilla d'Oro; a sine City, besides many more, but of no great Note; most of the Towns are but indifferent in this Country.

II. Qu. Which are the principal Places in the Au-

dience of De los Reyes?

Anf. 1. Lima, the Capital of the whole Country. It was formerly a mean Place with only a few Huts for Fishermen; but Pizzaro built a fine City in the room of them. It never rains, but there is a continual Summer all the Year round. This City is encompassed with a strong Wall. The Inhabitants

are very rich; at an Entry of a new Vice-roy, they once paved the Streets with Plates of Silver to his Palace, which were valued at 80 Millions of Crowns. It is the constant Residence of the Vice-roy of Peru. for the King of Spain; and an Archbishop's See, with an University. 2. Callao, a City and incomparable Harbour, and a Place of very great Commerce. 3. Cusco, the old ordinary Residence of the Incas. The Royal Palace is still preferved, furrounded by strong Walls, and Towers of prodigious large Stones. Here was also their chief Temple, which is demolished. The Inhabitants at present are reckoned to amount to 500,000 Souls, of which three Parts are native Indians. About 40 Miles distant live 200,000 Indians, who are all tributary to the Spaniards. 4. Truxillo, a large City, and fecure Harbour. There are feveral other Towns of less Note.

III. Qu. What is chiefly to be observed in the

Audience De las Carcas?

Ans. 1. That it is the richest Country for Silver-Ore in the World. 2 Potosi, which is the Capital, a large and opulent City; and has the richest Mines of Gold and Silver in all the Country of Peru. 3. La Plata, a pretty large Town, not far distant from Potosi.

III. of CHILL.

Qu. How large is this Country?

Ans. From North to South 1200 Miles long, and from West to East 350; and in some Parts but 120 Miles broad.

Qu. What is most remarkable here?

Ans. That the Spaniards entred this Country from Peru in 1539, but met with great Resistance; nor have they been able to overcome entirely the Natives, some

fome of which have in feveral Parts of the Country retired, where they chuse their own Kings, or rather Captains.

Qu. What Sort of People are the Natives of Chili?

Anf. They are a wild People, and worship the Devil. The Women have long Breasts; they till the Ground, whilst the Men lie at Home sleeping, and idling away their Times. They sell their Daughters to the best Bidders.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Ans. Into three Parts, viz.

I. Chili Propria. II. Chili Imperial. And III. Chicuito.

I. Qu. Which are the principal Places in Chili

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Ans. 1. St. Jago, the capital City, and Residence of the Governor of all Chili, who is under the Viceroy of Peru. The Number of Spaniards who bear Arms is reckon'd to be 2000. The Native Indians are reckoned 80,000, who are employed chiefly in planting Tobacco; there is a Bishop's See, and a Tribunal of the Inquisition. 2. Coquimbo, a City and Harbour.

II. Qu. Which are the chief Places in Chili

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Ans. 1. La Conception, a City, and Bishop's See. 2. Baldivia, a fine and secure Harbour. 3. Chillan, one of the best Towns, with several of less Note.

III. Qu. Which are the best Places in Chicuito?

Ans. 1. Juan de la Fronteira. 2. Mendoza.

3. Diamante, all Places of Desence on the Borders of those Mountains, which are inhabited by the wild Indians.

IV. Of TURCUMANIA.

Qu. Where doth the Country of Turcumania lie?

Ans. It joins to that of Chili Southwards, and is from

from South to North 640 Miles long, and from West to East 360 Miles broad.

Qu. What is the State and Condition of this Coun-

try in general?

Anf. The Air is healthful, and the Land produces Corn, Wine, Honey, Wax, Salt, Cotton, and Cochineal. The Natives have no Religion. Their Houses are built on Wheels, with which they move from one Place to another. They are laborious, and among other Things make good Callico. The Spaniards are Masters of the whole Country, and have built three feveral Settlements.

Qu. Which are they?

Anf. 1. St. Jago de Estero, the Capital, which is the Residence of the Governor and of a Bishop. 2. Miguel, a City. 3. Nostra Senuora de Talavera, where is a good Manufacture for Linnen. 4. New-Cordova, and several others of less Note.

V. Of TERRA MAGELLANICA.

Qu. What is worthy of Notice in this Country?

Ans. It was first discovered by Ferdinand Magellan in 1519, and called after his Name. It is 1200 Miles long, and near 500 broad. At the End of this Country towards the South, are the Streights of Magellan, which are 400 Miles long, and but 8 or 10 broad.

Qu. By whom were those Streights passed?

Ans. First by Magellan, who in 1519 sailed thro' them in 22 Days, and thereby discovered the Communication between the North and the South Ocean, and thus sailed round the World.

Afterwards by an Englishman, one Thomas Cavendish, in 1581. And then by Simon Cordes, a Dutchman, in 1600.

Qu. What is the State and Condition of this Country?

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Anf. The Spaniards took Possession of it, indeed, in 1582; but as they thought it not worth their while to continue there, they withdrew into a better Land, after they had been at the Trouble of building several Towns. X The Country has no Trees, Fields, nor Meadows, but the Ground is covered with white Sand. The Animals that are found in it are Foxes, Rabbits, Ostriches, and Tygers.

Qu, What Sort of People are the Natives?

Ans. Some old Authors among the Spaniards made them monstrous Giants, of 12 Feet high, but latter Travellers give them the ordinary Size of Men; they are very ignorant, have no Religion, nor are they qualified for doing any Thing. They dig Roots called Capus, which serve them instead of Bread.

VI. Of PARAGUAY.

Qu. What is observable in this Country?

Ans. The River Paraguay flows thro' the Middle of it, from which it had its Name; but the Spaniards gave both to the River and the Country the Name of La Plata.

Qu. How large is this Country, and how is it di-

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Ans. It is at least 1200 Miles long, and 800 broad; it is divided into fix Provinces.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in it?

Ans. 1. Assumption, the Capital City, situate upon the River La Plata. It is the Residence of the Spanish Governor; under the Vice-roy of Peru. 2. Buenos Ayres, a large Town, and Sea-Port of good Trade; wherein is a Bishop's See. 3. St. Lucia and Corientes, two considerable Colonies. 4. Villa Rica, a rich City. 5. Maracaja, another Settlement of the Spaniards. 6. St. Salvador, a handsome City. 7. St. Gabriel, a small Island and Fort, built by the Portuguese. 8. St. Sacrament, another Colony belonging to the Portuguese. Qu.

Qu. What is the Nature of this Country?

Anf. The Air is very temperate and healthful; the Soil is extremely fertile in most Parts, producing Abundance of Corn, Wine, Fruit, and Herbs. There are also several considerable Mines of Gold and Silver.

VII. Of BRASIL.

Qu. Of what Extent is the Country of Brafil, by

whom was it discovered, and how does it lie?

Ans. It lies along the Ethiopic Ocean, and was discovered by the Portuguese in 1501. The Length thereof is 2400 Miles, and the Breadth about 800.

Qu. How is this Country divided?

Anf. The Portuguese have divided it, as far as their Settlements go, into 14 Provinces.

Qu. What is the Produce of the Country of

Brafil?

Anf. The Portuguese send every Year a Fleet thither to bring Gold, Amber, Saffron, Cotton, Tobacco, Jasper, Crystal, Buck-skins, Apes, and Parrots; but particularly a great Quantity of Sugar, and Brasil-Wood.

Qu. What Sort of People are the Natives?

Ans. They are Canibals, and feed upon the Flesh of their Enemies, which they broil and eat. Tho' they know nothing of God, or Religion, yet they have a Notion of the Immortality of the Soul. They live in Huts under Trees, and sleep in Nets, that are hung like Hammocks. They are divided into several Nations, the Chief of which are the Topinambous, the Margajas, the Tapuges, &c. The Portuguese inhabit along the Coast, not above 20 Miles up in the Country, the Natives having withdrawn themselves for the Love of Liberty.

Qu. Which are the principal Places the Portu-

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Ans. 1. St. Salvador, the Capital of the whole Country, which is a large, rich, and well fecured City; the Dutch plundered it in 1623, when each common Soldier's Share was 15,000 Crowns; here is a Vice-roy, and an Archbishop. 2. St. Vincent. 2. St. Amato. 4. St. Sebastina, a Bishop's See. which was plundered by the French in 1712: Their Booty amounted to 3,000,000 of Livres. 5. Spirito Santo, a Sugar Colony. 6. Porto Seguro, a Fortification. 7. St. Cruz. 8. Seregippi. 9. Olinda, or Phernambuco. 10. Paraiba. 11. Siera. 12. Maragnan, a Bishop's See. 13. Para, and several more.

VIII. Of A M A Z O N I A.

Qu. Of what Extent is the Country of Amazonia, or the Amazones?

Anf. It is a large Country between Terra Firma, Peru, Paraguay, and Brasil; it is 1200 Miles long, nd as many broad. A River of that Name runs hro' the Middle of this Country, and is counted he largest in the World. When the Portuguese, 1541, went up that River into the Country, they net in their Way on Shore, an Army of warlike Vomen, with whom they had a Rencounter, om thence they called this Country Amazonia.

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Anf. 1. That it lies under the Torrid Zone, and is ry hot. 2. The Natives are strong, but have only e Shape of the human Species; they are Manral sters, and devour one another. 3. The Country, though it is very hot, breeds no Vermin or Infects; ese is full of Cocoa-Trees, Cedars, Ebony, Brasilin ood, Balfam, Sugar, Gum, Tobacco, and choice mlours.

Qu. Are there any European Colonies here?

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ments between Cape Nort and the Amazonian River; and, in the Peace of Utrecht in 1713, both France and Spain renounced their Right to this Country, so that the Portuguese are at Liberty to extend their Colonies as far as they please.

CHAP. IV.

Of the American ISLANDS.

Qu. HOW are the American Islands divided?

Ans. Into the Greater and the Lesse

Antilles.

Qu. Which are the Greater Antilles Islands?
Ans. I. St. Domingo. II. Jamaica. III. Cub.
And IV. Porto Rico.

I. Of St. Domingo, or HISPANIOLA.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in this Island Ans. 1. That it is 360 Miles long, and 240 broad It was discovered by Christopher Columbus, in his five Voyage in 1592, who called it Hispaniola. 2. To Spaniards at their Landing found the Inhabitants be a wild People, they rooted them out, and se them to another World, to make Room for themselve in this.

Qu. What is the Produce of this Island?

Ans. It is a fertile Country for Grain, Sugar Ginger, Mastick, Aloes, Cochineal, and Cotton; has also some Gold-Mines. The European Anim and Fruit thrive as well there as in their native Soi

Qu. Are the Spaniards the only Poffessors of t

large Island?

Ans. No, they were so at first, but since, French have come in Shares with them, the S

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erds have the East, and the French the West Part

reof.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Island? Ans. The Spaniards possess St. Domingo, a large, th, and populous City, well fortified, which is the spital and Residence of the Governor, and has an echbishop. The French have 1. Le grand Govage, Fort on the Western Coast, and 2. Le petit Govage, new Colony, with a good Harbour.

II. Of JAMAICA.

Qu. What is most remarkable with Respect to the

and of Famaica?

Ans. This Island is from East to West 170 Miles and, and from South to North 70 Miles broad; it as discovered by Columbus in 1494. The native habitants were in a most cruel Manner rooted out the Spaniards, who possessed it for above 160 ears; till Oliver Cromwell, when Protector of ingland, took it, and joined it to the British Domions in America, in 1655.

Qu. How is this Island divided?

Ans. Into fourteen Precincts. 1. Port Royal.
St. Catherine. 3. St. John. 4. St. Andrew.
St. David. 6. St. Thomas. 7. Clarendon.
St. George. 9. St. Mary. 10. St. Ann. 11. St.
ames. 12. St. Elizabeth. 13. East not named.
and 4. West not named.
Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Mand?

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Island? Ans. 1. Seville d'Oro, situate on the North Coast, as formerly the Capital City of the Spaniards; ere is now a good Harbour, but the Place is only large Village. 2. Spanish - Town, the Capital, d Residence of the Governor. 3. Port Royal, uth of Jamaica, is an excellent Harbour of three agues broad, and in most Places so deep, that a

Ship of 1000 Tons may lie close to the Shore, and ununload at Pleasure; it is secured by a strong Castle. And 4 Carlisse

Qu. What is the Produce of this Island?

Anf. Chiefly Sugar; in the Plantations of which, feveral Thousands of Negroes are employed: There is Plenty likewise of Indigo, Pepper, Campeachy-Wood, and Cocoa-Trees.

III. Of Cuba.

Qu. What is most worthy of Notice in the Island of Cuba?

Ans. It is 1200 Miles in Length; but the Breadth

is but 200 Miles.

Qu. To whom does this Island belong?

Ans. To the Spaniards, who discovered it in 1492, and having destroyed the Natives, they have

possessed it ever fince.

Qu. Which are the principal Places in this Island? Ans. 1. Havanna, the Capital, which is well fortified, and has an excellent Harbour, where is Room for 1000 Ships, and the Entry so narrow, as will admit but one Ship to pass at a Time. This is the Rendezvous of all the Spanish Ships in July and August, that are bound for Europe. 2. St. Jago, another Harbour.

Qu. What is the Produce of this Island?

Ans. Though not a very fruitful Country, yet it abounds with Black Cattle and Sheep, and has sufficient Pasture for them. The Mountains are rich in Gold, Silver, and Copper Oar; this Island produces also some Sugar, Ginger, Cassia, Mastick, and Abundance of Parrots.

IV. PORTO RICO.

Qu. To whom belongs the Island of Porto Rice?

Ans. To the Spaniards, who, at their Landing there in 1493, found this Island so well peopled. that they were obliged to maffacre about 600,000 Inhabitants, before they could clear it.

Qu. What is the Produce of this Island?

Ans. The Spaniards have found there a great Quantity of Gold. 'The other Commodities confift in Sugar, Salt, and Gum.

The capital Place is Porto Rico, a good Sea-port:

besides which there is Guadianilla, a Fort.

Of the Lesser ANTILLES Mands.

Qu. Which are they?

Anf. I. The Lucaya, or Bahama Islands. II. The Caribbee Islands. III. The Canada Islands. IV. The Bermudas. V. The Azores Islands.

I. Qu. To whom do the Bahama Islands belong?

Ans. To the Spaniards.

II. Qu. To whom do the Caribbee Islands belong? Ans. To the English, and several other Nations.

Qu. Which belong to the English?

Anf. 1. Barbadoes, the most considerable among the Caribbee Islands; the Produce of which is Ginger. Sugar, Indigo, Cotton, Lignum Vitæ, Tobacco, and Rum. The principal Place in this Island is Bridge-Town, where the Governor relides; it contains above 1200 Stone Houses, and some Forts to secure it. The whole Island is divided into 11 Parishes, is about 20 Miles long, and 14 broad. 2. Antego, was made a Colony by the English in 1666. 3. St. Chri-Stophers, was before the Peace of Utrecht possessed by the English and French, but fince that Time, only by the English; with several other small Islands.

Qu. Which belong to other Nations?
Ans. To the French belong, 1. Guadalupa. 2. Martinico. 3. St. Cruz. 4. St. Lucia. 5. St. N 2

Martin. 6. St. Bartholomew, and some others of less Note, most of them Sugar Islands.

To the Danes belongs St. Thomas.

To the Dutch St. Eustachia.

To the Duke of Courland belongs Tabago.

The Spaniards posses, 1. Trinidad. 2. Margirata. And 3. Blanca.

III. Qu. To whom belong the Canada Islands. how do they lie, and what Number is there of them?

Ans. These Islands lie near the Coast of Canada, and are of great Importance on Account of the Fishery. They are 20 in Number, but the principal ones are;

1. Newfoundland, 280 Miles long, and as many broad. *2. Cape Breton, taken from the French, June 16th, 1745, in which is the strong City of Louisburg. By the Reduction of this Island the English are become intirely Mafters of the Fishing Trade. 3. Anticofti and St. John's, which belong to the French.

IV. Qu. To whom belong the Bermudas Islands,

and how many of them are there?

Ans. To the Crown of England; there are a great Number of them, but the most noted Ones are; 1. Bermudas. 2. St. George. And 3. St. David.

V. Qu. To whom do the Azores Islands belong, what Number is there of them, and how do they lie?

Ans. They lie half Way to the West-Indies; some Geographers reckon them to Africa, and some to America. They are Nine in Number, and belong to the King of Portugal, viz. 1. Corvo. 2. Fayal. 3. Flores. 4. St. George. 5. Gratiofa. 6. Maria. 7. Miguel, 8. Pico. And 9. Tercera. a anglish and Breach, But fixed that Time, only by

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Of TERRÆ INCOGNITÆ; or, The UNKNOWN COUNTRIES.

Qu.HOW lie the Terræ Incognitæ, or the Un-

Ans. There is some Part of it under both Poles. The Unknown Countries under the Arctic Pole, are;

I. Nova Zembla, which lies beyond Russia, from which it is parted by Waygats Streights; its Name is Moscovit, and fignifies New Land; it is not made out yet, whether it is a Continent, or an Island; fome fay that the Northern Muscovites can go over the Ice to Nova Zembla, and from thence to Spitzbergen, and so to the Northern Parts of America; but this wants Confirmation.

Qu. What is the Nature of its Inhabitants?

Ans. According to the Account the Dutch give of it, they are a People of small Stature, having large Heads, broad Faces, and flat Nofes. Their Clothes are made of Skin, joined together with Fish Bones; they burn Bears Greafe instead of Oil in their Lamps. Their Food is nothing but Fox Flesh, and Fish, and both Men and Women have no other Business than that of Hunting and Fishing. It is so excessive cold, that Brandy will freeze, if it is not kept near the Fire.

II. Spitzbergen, which lies 80 Degrees North, and was discovered by a Dutchman, one Jacob Heemskirk in 1596; it is inhabited by no Creatures but white Bears, and fome Rain Deer, who feed upon dead Whales, or Sea-Horses, which they meet with among the Icy Mountains.

III. Groenland, which begins in the 60th Degree, and perhaps ends in the North Pole. The Europeans have gone as far as 80 Degrees, which is 1200 Miles Inland. This Country has had no Sovereign fince 1389, when it had been under the Kings of Norway for 400 Years together, who had introduced the Christian Religion, and settled a Commerce with the Inhabitants; but since that Time it has been neglected, and the Natives now are Savages, who live upon the Flesh of Whales, Rain-Deers, and Sea Calves, boiled in Fish Oil. They are fond of trucking with Europeans for Knives, Looking - Glasses, Beads, Needles, Pins, and such like Trisles, for which they give in Return Bear-Skins, Rain-Deer Skins, Buck-Skins, &c.

IV. New Britain, which was first discovered by an Englishman, one Henry Hudson, in 1612, near the Streights, which are called after his Name Hudson's

Streights.

V. The James Islands are a large Country between the Streights of Hudson and those of David; they were first discovered by an Englishman, one John Davis, in 1586, in the Reign of King James I.

VI. New Wales, which lies beyond Hudson's Bay. VII. New Denmark, which lies under the Polar Circle, and was discovered by the Danish Admiral Munch, in 1709. But as by the Peace of Utrecht, all that lies beyond Canada and Hudson's Streights belongs to the Crown of Great-Britain, so does this for the same Reason.

VIII. Yesso, or Yedso, which lies between America and Asia; whether this Country is joined to Japan, or whether it is parted from it by a Streight, is dis-

puted.

IX. Kamradalia, which is a Country but lately disovered; it is a Part of Great Tartary, opposite to the Land of Yesso.

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Qu. Which are the unknown Countries under the Antarctic Pole?

Ans. I. New Guinea, which lies beyond the Molucca Islands, near the Equator, discovered by a Spa-

niard in 1627. The Inhabitants are Blacks.

II. New Holland, which lies under the Tropic of Cancer; the Dutch discovered it in 1646, upon the West and North Coast. The Inhabitants are Blacks, and wild People, who live upon Fish.

III. New Zealand, which was discovered in 1642 by the Dutch; the Inhabitants are Blacks, of Gi-

gantic Size.

IV. Diemens Land, which was discovered by Antonio Van Diemen in 1642, where is Frederick Henrick's Harbour, fo called, in Honour of the Prince of Orange.

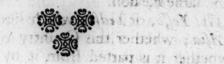
V. Carpentaria, which is an Island near New Guinea, discovered by a Dutchman, whose Name

was Carpenter.

VI. Terra di Spirito, which lies near Carpentaria, and of which only the Western Shore is discovered.

VII. Terra de Quiros, which is not far from the former, discovered by Quiros, a Spaniard, in 1606.

VIII. Terra del Fugo, or Terra Ignis, which lies in the Southern America, from which it is divided by the Streights of Magellan. It is an Island, first discovered by Ferdinand Magellan, a Portugueze in The Inhabitants go naked, and are a wild 1520. People. and in which de award schools.



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The most common Names of ancient GEOGRAPHY, explain'd by the Names of modern GEOGRAPHY.

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Actium, Capital of Livadia, where Augustus deseated Antonius, now called Figala.

Acroceraumes, Mountains in Albania, now Mount

Chimera.

Adriatic Sea, now Gulph of Venice.

Adrumet, now Mahometa, in Bildulgerid.

Alani, now Lithuania.

Albe, now Albano.

Albion, now England.

Allemania, now Franconia and Swabia.

Allobrogos, now Savoy and Dauphiné.

Alpheus, a River, now Carbon in Morea.

Ammon, the Place wherein stood the antient and famous Temple of Jupiter, now Barca in Africa.

Andros, now Andri.

Angles, ancient Inhabitants of Holftein.

Anxur, now Terracina, in Campania di Roma.

Araxes,

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Araxes, a River in Armenia, near which, it is said, Tomiris defeated Cyrus.

Arbella, a Place in Diarbeck, where Alexander

routed Darius's Army for the third Time.

Arcadia, now a Part of Zaconia in Morea.

Armorica, now the Province of Bretagne in France.

Armenia Major, now Turcomania.

Ascalon, a City of the Philistines in Palestine, which is now but a small Village below Joppa.

Affyria, now a Part of Diarbeck and of Persia.

Athos, a samous Mountain, now Monte Santo, in Macedonia.

Atlantis, now, as it is commonly believed, America. Ausonia, now Terra di Laboro in Apulia.

ryangi, a Go wh Wall, which that the 2 a Per

BAbylon, now, as it is believed, Bagdad, Capital of

Bactriana, now Zagati, or Usbeck, a Province on the Borders of Persia, towards Tartary.

Baleares Islands, now Majorca, Minorca, and

could subject as no more.

Ivica.

Batavia, now Holland.

Belgium, now Flanders.

Bithinia, now Becfangil in Natolia. Boristhenes, a River, now Nieper.

Bosphorus Thraciæ, now the Streights of Constantinople.

Byzantium, now Constantinople.

C

Ampania, now Callabria, in the Kingdom of

Naples.

Cannes, a Town of the Salenti, famous for the great Victory Annibal gained over the Romans, in the Province of Bari, in the Kingdom of Naples.

Cantabria, now Biscay and Asturias.

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Cappadocia, now Amasia in Natolia. Carphatia, now the Egyptian Sea.

Carthage, now but a defolate Place, about nine

Miles from Tunis in Barbary.

Caspianæ, or Caspianæ Januæ, samous Mountains in Persia upon the Coast of the Caspian Sea, which is also called the Sea of Sala.

Caucafus, a Part of Mount Taurus, between the

Black-Sea, and the Cafpian Sea.

of Arpaga, in the Kingdom of Naples; where the Samnites got the most compleat Victory over the Romans.

Chalcis, now Negropont, or the Capital of that

Island.

Chersonese, a Greek Word, which signifies a Peninsula.

Cimbrick Chersonese, now Jutland. Taurick Chersonese, now Criema. Ciclades, Islands of the Archipelago. Cilicia, now Caramanía in Natolia. Cimbres, the Inhabitants of Jutland.

Clusium, a Town of the ancient Etrusci in Tus-

cany, which is no more.

Colchides, now Mingrelia and Georgia in Afia.

Corcyrum, now Corfu, an Island. Creta, now Candia, an Island.

D

D'scia, now Part of the Upper Hungary, of Tranfilvania, of Vallachia, and of Meldavia. Delphos, now Castria in Livadia or Achaia. Delos, an Island of the Archipelago.

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E Chatanes, now Tauris, a large City in Persia.

Egean Sea, now Archipelago.

Eleusis,

Eleusis, a Town near the Egean Sea, wherein was the famous Temple of Ceres, now, as it is believed, Lespina.

Elides, that Part of Morea now called Belvédére.

Emathia, a Part of Macedonia.

Epidaurus, otherwise Cherones, or Pigiades, a City in Morea.

Ethiopia, now Abyssinia, Nubia, or Monoemugi.

Etolia, now Part of Livadia in Greece.

Etruria, now Tuscany.

Euboë, now the Island of Negropont.

Euripes, an Arm of the Sea, between Negropont and Livadia.

F

L'Alerna, a Mountain, now Monte Massico, in the Kingdom of Naples.

GALATIA, now Chiangara, a Province of Natolia.

Gaul, now France and Lombardy. That Part which was on the other Side of the Alps, in respect of Rome, was called Transalpina Gaul, and that which was on the Side of the Alps in Italy, was call'd

Cifalpine Gaul.

Gallia Transalpina, was divided into two Parts. the one called Gallia Comata, because of the long Hair of the Inhabitants; the other called Gallia Braccata, from Bracca, a Sort of Breeches used in that Country. This last went also under the Name: of Narbonese, because of Narbone its Capital.

Gallia Comata was again divided into three, Celtica, Aquitanica and Belgica. The first was also called Lionese, from Lions its Capital, and comprehended not only the present Lionese; but Part of Normandy, the Isle of France, the Orleannois, the

Touraine, the Maine, the Bretagne, the Franche. Compte, and all its Independencies. The second comprehended the Guienne, the Gascoigne, the Roussillon, &c. And the third comprehended the Electorate of Triers, with the Bishopricks of Spire, Worms, Strasburg, Metz, Toul, Verdun, &c. and all the Country between the Seine, the Maese, and the Rhine from Coblentz down to the Sea.

Gallia Braccata, sive Narbonensis, comprehended the Languedoc, the Provence, the Dauphine, and

the Savoy.

Gallia Cifalpina, now Lombardy, was divided into Transpadana, and Cispadana, that is, into that Part which in Respect of Rome, was on the other Side of the River Po, and into that which was on this Side of the Po. This last was called Togata, because of the long Gown or Toga, which its Inhabitants used to wear, as well as the Romans, and which the rest of the Gauls did not wear.

Garamantes, now Zara, or Nigritia in Africa.
Golonienses, Inhabitants of Romania, towards
Tartary.

Getes, People of Moldavia and Vallachia.

Gnoffe, now Candia.

Granicus, now Lazzara, a River in Natolia, which falls into the Sea of Marmora, and is famous for the Victory which Alexander obtained over Darius near it.

Gracia Magna, now the South Part of Italy.

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HAlicarnassus, now Tobia, a ruined City in Caramania.

Hannonia, now the Hainault in Flanders. Hébre, now Marizza, a River in Romania.

Hebrides, that Cluster of Islands, situated on the West of Scotland.

Helicon,

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Helicon, now Zagara, a Mountain in Livadia. Hellespontus, now the Streights of Dardanelles. Helvetii, the Inhabitants of Swifferland.

Herules, a People in the North of Germany. Hesperies, a Name given by the Greeks to Italy, and by the Italians to Spain.

Hircania, now Tarabistan, a Province of Persia. Hirpini, People who fucceed the Samnites, in the Principate, a Province of the Kingdom of Naples.

BERIA, now Spain.

I Icarian, or Icarian Sea, now the Archipelago. Idumea, a small Country between Judea, Egypt, and Arabia.

Illyria, now Proper Sclavonia, Dalmatia, and Creatia.

Insubria, now Part of Lombardy, towards Cômo.

Infulæ fortunatæ, now the Canary Islands.

Ionian Sea, between the Extremity of the Gulph of Venice, and Greece.

Itrurea, a small Country along the River Fordan,

towards Arabia, opposite to Tyrus.

Jura, now Mount St. Claude, between Franche Comté and Swisserland.

Fanicula, now Italy.

I Acedemon, or Sparta, now, Misitra, a City in Morea.

Laconia, the Country wherein flood Lacedemon.

Laodicea, now Licha, or Ladikia in Syria, feven or eight Leagues from Antioch, a Town almost ruined.

Latium, now Campania di Roma, having Lavinium for its Capital,

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Laurentum, now San Largenzo, in Campania di Roma.

Lemnos, now Stalimena, an Island of the Archi-

pelago. . or Amanolad awo

Lesbos, now Mitilene, an Island of the Archipelago. Libia, a Name given at first to Africa, and afterwards restrained to Nigritia and Barca.

Liburnia, a Part of Dalmatia and Croatia.

Licaonia, now the Diffrict of Cogni in Natolia. Licri, Inhabitants of Achaia, now Livadia.

Licrin, the Lake of Averno, in the Kingdom of Naples.

Lotaringia, the Dutchy of Lorrain.

Lucania, now the Basilicate, in the Kingdom of Naples.

Lusitania, now Portugal.

M

Marathon, now a Village of Livadia, towards Negropont, where the Greeks routed the Perfians.

Macaria, now the Island of Cyprus.

Massagetes, People of the Country now called Turquestan, in Asia.

Marcomans, Inhabitants of the Country which

lies in the South West of Bohemia.

Mauritania, a large Tract of Land in Africa, now the Kingdoms of Algier, Tunis, Fez, and Morocco.

Media, now Part of Persia, towards Aderbeit-

Meandre, a River, now Madre in Natolia. Melæna, now the Island of Cephalonia.

Melita, the Island of Maltha.

Memphis, formerly the Capital of Egypt, near Grand Cairo.

Mesopotamia, now the Province of Diarbeck.

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Metapont, a City along the Gulph of Magna

Græcia, on the South, near Taranto.

Milet, now, according to the common Opinion, Palatcha in Natolia, a Town belonging to the antient Ionia.

Mæsia, now Servia and Bulgaria.

Micene, now Charia, or St. Adrian, between

Napoli and Corinthus, in Morea.

Misia, now Part of Natolia, near the Dardanelles. Moguntia, now the City of Mentz in Germany. Monabia, now the Iste of Man.

Mona, now Anglesey.

N

N Icomedia, now a ruined City in Natolia, upon the Gulph of St. George; it was the Capital of Bythinia, and was destroyed by an Earthquake in the Year 356.

Nineveh, now a Heap of Ruins in the Diarbeck,

upon the Tiger, near the City of Mozul.

Norica, Part of Austria, Styria, Carinthia, Car-

niola, and Bavaria.

Novempopulania, now the Archbishoprick of Auch in France, with its Suffragan Bishops. This Country was so called, because it was inhabited by nine different People, and now it is still divided into nine Diocesses, viz. those of Auch, Cominge, Torbe, Oleron, Conserans, Dax, Lescar, Aire and Baionne.

Numatia, a Place near Garai upon Douro, on the

Borders of Spain and Portugal.

Numidia, now Biledulgerid in Africa.

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Occitania, now Egypt, so called by Berosus.

Occitania, now the Languedoc in France.

Ogygia, now Egypt, so called by Xenophon.

Olympus,

Olympus, a Mount in Thessalia, upon the Coast

of the Gulph of Theffalonica.

Olympia, now Longanico, a Town upon Alpheus, in Morea, where the Olympick Games were celebrated.

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PAnnonia, now Part of Styria, Carniola, Carinthia, Hungary, Bosnia, Sclavonia, &c. Palestina, or Judea, a Province of Syria.

Parthenia, now the Island of Samos.

Peluse, a former Town of Egypt, near the Ruins of which they have built the Cairo.

Philipopolis, now the City of Philipsburg in Ger-

many.

Phænicia, now Part of Suria, or Syria, where stood Tyrus, Sidon, and where is still Damas.

Pittones, the ancient Inhabitants of the Province

of Poitu in France.

Picenium, now Ancona in Italy.

Potamia, now Egypt, so called by Herodotus.

Pont (the Kingdom of Pont) now a Part of Aladulia in Natolia.

Propontides, now the Sea of Marmora.

Ivotencial in the the Archaelic of the

RHETIA, now the Grisons, as far as Trent.
Rhodopus, now Basilissa, a Mountain in Romania.
Rhodia, the City of Roses in Catalonia.

Rutuli, Inhabitants of the Country now called

Campania di Roma.

S

SABA, a Country, as it is believed, in Arabia Deferta, upon the Borders of Syria.

Sagontus, now Morvédro, a City in the Kingdom

of Valencia in Spain.

Samnites, Inhabitants of the Country now called

Capitanate, in the Kingdom of Naples.

Sarmatia, now Poland, Muscovy, Lapland, and other Northern Countries. Sarnia,

Sarnia, now the Isle of Guernsey.

Saturnia, now Italy.

Scona, the River Shannon.

Sinus Adriaticus, now the Gulph of Venice. Suenones, ancient Inhabitants of Swedeland.

Seamandres, or Xantes, a River in Natolia.

Scandinavia, a Country comprehending formerly the Kingdoms of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden.

Scythia, a vast Tract of Land, between Asia and

Europe, now as it feems Tartary.

Scylla, and Carybdis, two Promontories, one on each Side of the Streight which divides Sicily from Italy, over-against which Promontories there were two dangerous Sands.

Sequani, Inhabitants of the County of Bourgogne,

or Franche Comté.

Sicambria, now Part of Germany, towards the Rhine, and about the falling in of the Main.

Siden, now Said in Syria.

Sogdianes, now Part of Tartary towards Persia.

Stix, a Fountain in Morea, the Water whereof is extremely cold.

Thais, now the River Don, on the Borders of Europe and Asia.

Thebes, now Stives, a City in Livadia.

Thracia, now Romania.

Tyrus, now Sur in Syria.

Trinachria, now Sicily.

Tirrhene, now the Sea of Tuscany.

Mandales, now Part of Germany, along the Baltick.

Vindelici, now a Country between the Danube, the Inn, and the Alps.

Volsques, now Catabria, in the Kingdom of

Naples.

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